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THE GOLD REGIONS.

The Boundary Line Between Alaska and the British Possessions Well Defined.

BOUNDARY TREATY IN THE SENATE.

Lines Surveyed By General Duffield Who Gives an Opinion as to the Gold Fields of Alaska.

Washington, July 31.—Nothing can be done more than has already been done towards marking the boundary line between Alaska and the British possessions along the 141st meridian until the senate passes upon the boundary treaty now before it. There is, however, no doubt of the location of the line along the meridian and most of the people in the locality know where it is. The demarkation work was superintended by General Duffield, superintendent of the coast geodetic survey on behalf of the United States. General Duffield spent considerable time in Alaska. He expresses the opinion that a rail road can easily be constructed from Taku inlet to the Klondyke gold fields and believes the enterprise would be worth the undertaking because of the richness of the mines. "The gold," said General Duffield, discussing the question, "has been ground out of the quartz by the pressure of the glaciers which moved along the courses of the streams, exerting tremendous pressure. This force was present to a more appreciable extent in Alaska than elsewhere, and I believe as a consequence more placer gold will be found in that region than any other part of the world."

General Duffield thinks gold hunters on the American side of the line made a mistake in prospecting the large streams instead of the small ones. "When gold is precipitated," he said, "it sinks. It doesn't float far down the stream. It therefore is to be looked for along the small creeks and about the headwaters of the larger tributaries of the Yukon. There is," he added, "no reason why as rich finds may not be made on the American side of the line as in the Klondyke district."

Sugar Plantation Wages Goes Up.

New Orleans, July 31.—Mr. Leon Godchau, the owner of seven sugar plantations in Louisiana and the largest sugar producer in the United States, yesterday telegraphed to the manager of his several places to advance the wages of all field labor 16½ per cent, the advance to commence August 1, in consequence of the passage of the Dingley tariff bill.

In sugar circles the opinion is general that this advance will be conceded by all the planters to labor employed in sugar culture or manufacture. The skilled labor employed in the sugar houses or refineries are paid according to the price the sugar commands, and will get an increase in wages of from 20 to 30 per cent as compared with last year.

The sugar growers take a hopeful view of the situation. Mr. D. D. Colcock, secretary of the New Orleans Sugar Exchange, who has been in Washington for over a month watching the interests of the producers there, declares that the Louisiana sugar crop will more than double in the next five years as the planters find now that they can get all the capital they need to extend their planting and improve their machinery.

Mr. Colcock declares the tariff bill recently passed the most favorable to sugar producers this country has ever had, and most likely to stimulate production. He holds also that for this reason it is not likely to meet with much opposition or cause a call for its repeal for many years to come.

Illinois Tin Plate Mill Opens.

Joliet, Ill., July 31.—The Great Western tin plate works started yesterday afternoon, after an enforced shut down of six weeks for repairs, and 250 men who have been idle during the time went to work. The company has many orders ahead and the prospect for a long period of activity is excellent, as there are enough orders on hand to keep the mills busy for several months. The plant is in better condition than ever before, having been entirely remodeled. C. H. Wilcox, who is ice president, will act as manager, taking the position occupied by G. P. Hyde, who resigned.

Missouri Heat.

St Joseph, Mo., July 31.—With the mercury at a hundred in the shade and a hundred and twenty in the sun the heat is almost unbearable today. The air is very dry. The crops need rain. A number of persons were overcome by the heat. Two may die. Many horses have succumbed to the heat also.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Reports from Reliable Correspondents Show a Decided Improvement in Business.

IN ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

Many Mills Have Opened While a Large Number Have Increased Their Force — Good Crop Prospects.

Passaic, N. J., July 31.—There has been a marked improvement in the factory district in this city. All the mills are now making full time and many run until 9 p. m. The Manhattan Print works (satinet printers), after three years of idleness, is in full operation. The Dundee Woolen company, which did little or no work during Cleveland's administration, is now enploying its full complement of hands. The Botany Worsted mills were slack during 1895 and 1896, but are now enlarging their plant. The number of operators doing steady work at this point is now, I think, 3 per cent more than one year ago.

D W. Mahony, Editor News.

Millersburg, Pa., July 31.—There has been a general and clearly visible improvement in the business condition, both manufacturing and agricultural. This is clearly evidenced both by general inquiry among business men and especially through inquiries among banks. This paper recently pubished a statement showing amount of money at interest in this county for 1895, 1896 and 1897, the total for 1897 being materially less than in 1896.

Editor Post.

Kenton W. Va., July 31.—There is a slow but clearly perceptible business improvement here. The Riverside Iron works of Wheeling are at work upon a large addition to their plant. A new plate mill has been completed and will start up in a few days. One of the old ones is being rebuilt and enlarged.

Charles L. Evans, Editor Enterprise.

Iron Mountain, Mich., July 31.—There is a marked activity in the upper portion of Michigan, which is largely dependent upon the iron mining industry. Mines which had been holding over their last year's product are now making sales at improved prices and others are re opening. The Aragon mine at Norway, near here, resumed after six months' idleness. The Chapin, which carried over 250,000 tons of ore last year, has sold its last year's stock and that produced this year also. The Trader's mine of this city has resumed operations after several months of idleness and the Chapin and Pewabic have increased their forces.

Brunswick, Mo., July 31.—The agricultural community and what manufacturing interests there are in this place both indicate an improved business condition. The farmers are getting better prices for their grain and the Brunswick Tobacco works have increased their force materially and report a very marked improvement in sales. The chief flouring mill of this place, which supplies surrounding towns and cities, reports large increase of business and improved prices

Huntsville, Ark., July 31.—Improved prices of farm products have produced very satisfactory conditions among the residents of this section. Prices of wool are about 75 per cent higher than one year ago; value of sheep also advanced; cattle 25 per cent higher than in 1896. Large crops and prospects of good prices, with the result that everybody is cheerful.

McCook, Neb., July 31.—The excellent crops and prospects of good prices make the people of this place and section more thoroughly contented and cheerful than for years. This is not a manufacturing place, and, therefore, no report can be made upon other than the agricultural condition, which is very satisfactory.

McCook, Neb., July 31.—There are no manufacturers in this section of Nebraska. We depend largely upon good crops, and have them this year, and everybody is consequently feeling happy.

F. M. Kimmel, Editor Tribune.

Huntsville, Ark., July 31.—This is strictly a farming community. Cattle are 25 per cent better prices than last year, sheep a little better, wool about 75 per cent better. One farmer told me that he sold his wool last year at eight cents per pound; this year the same class of wool off the same sheep at 14 cents. W. H. Ballinger, Pub. Huntsville Republican.

Columbus Grove, Ohio, July 31.—An improvement in business conditions in this community is very clearly visible. The J. F. Jones Sons Handle factory has increased its force 25 per cent in the last two weeks. The manager informed me that he had more orders than at any time in their history. The J. H. Belford Sons Handle Co. has also largely increased its force. The Buckeye Stave company has a larger number of orders than at any time since its organization and is putting new men at work daily. Talks with business men convince me that prosperity has arrived. The farmers have fine wheat, oat and hay crops and the corn prospects are bright. Prices are good and free silver calamity howlers will have hard lines in Ohio this fall.

Ed. L Vail, Editor Vidette.

Brunswick, Mo., July 31.—The chief business enterprises of this place are showing a marked improvement. The Brunswick Tobacco works have increased their force in the manufacture of chewing and smoking tobacco, the demand for this class of goods having increased materially during the past few months. The Eagle Flouring mills report also an increased business. Shipments of flour to surrounding towns and cities are increasing every week indicating that the merchants are buying more freely. Farmers are selling corn at an advanced price, and there is a general feeling of satisfaction among the agricultural element.

H. F. Lincoln, Editor News.

Elkpoint, S. D., July 31.—Conditions among agriculturists and residents of this place are clearly improving. Two new creameries have just been organized and others are to follow. A number of fine new farm houses and barns have been erected in this vicinity the present year, and in this place the evidences of increased business activity are clearly visible.

Charles R. Bruce, Editor Courier.

Estherville, Iowa, July 31.—Our city is not a manufacturing one; however, there are evidences of returning prosperity on every hand. Prices of farm products are advancing; there is greater activity on the railroads, which give employment to a large number of men. Bankers and loan agents have plenty of money to loan on easy terms, and a feeling of confidence is felt by all classes.

Jenkins & Nichols, Pubs. Republican.

San Andreas, Cal., July 31.—In mining, which is the chief industry here, there has been a very pronounced revival of late. Previous to the silver craze, capitalists from England, France and Germany, as well as from Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Utah and other states, were coming this way seeking investments in our gold mines, and this "mother lode" was all astir with every indication of a substantial boom in gold mining. As soon as the silver slogan was proclaimed, everything came to a standstill. Capitalists refused to invest in gold mines and those who had already secured bonds on mining property hung back, doing only enough work to hold their bond. The defeat of free silver, however, revived activity. New mines were opened and old ones that had been idle for 2 years or more were suddenly rehabilitated. Our foundry was taxed to its utmost capacity to supply the demand for mining machinery and there is general activity among the mines, thus giving employment to many miners. This creates a market for the farmers and there is general activity and prosperity.

G. W. Gotchell, Editor Prospect.

Manistique, Mich., July 31.—Times are better here than they have been in three years. Our city is largely dependent on the Chicago Lumbering Co. This company did not pay its men regularly during the past two years, and thus times were close with us. This year the company squares its pay roll every month. The Manistique and Northwestern railroad is being rapidly pushed to completion with a large force of men employed. That project, which was begun several years ago, was suspended when Cleveland times struck the country. The Western Furnace Co. will go into blast in a few days, after a rest of three years. This means employment for 1000 men. The miners, wood choppers and charcoal burners will all be steadily employed from now until next summer at least. The Western Mfg. Co. has largely increased business in its planing mill and box factory. The fact that there is an increased demand for packing cases shows a more prosperous and active business condition than a year ago. Large sums of money are being expended now in the work of the Ann Arbor railroad company, which is preparing to make this city its upper lake terminus for their winter car ferries.

George E. Holdein, Pioneer Tribune.

PROSPERITY.

What Dun and Bradstreet See.

New York, July 31.—That the tide of prosperity in the United States has set in in all its gratifying fullness is shown in R. G. Dun & Co's Weekly Review of Trade, issued today. Its salient features may be thus summarized:

Improvement of business without exception in every northern city of importance.

Marked increase in foreign demand, and an advance during the week of 4¾ cents in the price of wheat.

Indications that the wheat growing states will realize fully $80,000,000 more for their product than last year, thus heavily increasing their purchasing power.

Enormous increase in the demand for structural iron, caused by heavy orders from agricutural implement works and by railroads for rolling stock.

Decrease in failures for the week from 231 last year to 286 this year.

Bradstreet's weekly review is also devoted in the main to pointing out the remarkable business revival and the noteworthy expansion in trade. Among the signs of improvement therein mentioned the following may be given:

Increase of from 10 to 15 per cent in the fall trade of western jobbers, as compared with the same period last year, regarded as particularly noteworthy in July, the dull month of the year.

Number of western implement factories unable to fill all their orders for nearby delivery.

Reports from trunk line railways that they are carrying more merchandise than in the three years previous.

Brighter prospects in the agricultural districts than for six years past.

Increase in the weekly bank clearings at the principal cities of 38.7 per cent, as compared with the same time last year.

THE MINERS' STRIKE.

A Battle Barely Avoided at the DeArmit Mines.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 31.—A large number of men got into the Plum Creek mines before the marchers arrived. This being the last day of the month, it is the end of the pay period and the men had gone into mines two hours earlier, so they could swell their accounts by a big day's work. The miners approached the mine by the Monroeville road. The mine property adjoins the central school house in Plum township and on the dividing line between the two properties, marchers were met by Deputy sheriff's, who told them they could not go any further on the Monroeville road. Leaders of the strikers pushed him aside and marched on. Twenty or thirty other deputies hurried to the scene and the strikers were brought to a standstill within twenty yards of the trestle. The men were very indignant and for a moment looked as though there would be serious trouble. At this juncture Supt. DeArmit arrived at the scene and told the strikers that his men had already entered the mines and that to battle with the deputies would be the worst thing that could happen for the strike. The strikers then went to camp, but continued to make demonstrations about the mine. A number of stones were thrown. Loaded cars coming from the pit mouth angered the strikers; so the deputies established a new picket line each man carrying a loaded revolver in his hand, while a reserve of 50 deputies were in the office armed with rifles. The strikers worn out with marching, then settled down. Samuel De Armitt went among them and distributed pipes of tobacco. These were greatly enjoyed and many, after smoking, went to sleep.

There is no change in the state of seige at the De Armitt mines and a clash between the deputy sheriffs and the strikers seems imminent. The mines at Oak Hill and Sandy Creek are being operated by a very few men. Most of the Oak Hill miners live in Turtle Creek. The demonstrations of the strikers is intended to intimidate them. At Sandy Creek 20 per cent of the miners were working, but at the Plum Creek mine, now the object of so much concern on the part of the sheriff and De Armitt, all the men are working. A representative of the Associated Press was admitted to the outside of Plum Creek mine and talked to a dozen men while they were working. All said they had no sympathy with the strikers and would not leave the mine unless driven out Most of the men declare they will not be intimidated.

Bridge Set on Fire.

Masillion, Ohio, July 31.—The Wheeling and Lake Erie railroad bridge between Mount Pleasant and Long Run was set on fire last night and partially destroyed, causing a temporary stoppage of traffic. The road was crowded with coal from West Virginia. The affair caused much excitement throughout the valley. The company is making preparations to guard the property more effectually. The coal strikers deny being implicated and claim it was the work of enemies.

TenEyck Returns Home.

New York, July 31.—Edward H. Ten Eyck, the champion amateur oarsman of the world, the winner of the Diamond sculls at Henley regatta, arrived from England today and was met at the pier by a big delegation of oarsmen and was loudly cheered.

CYCLONE AT SAN JOSE

Seven People are Killed Outright Over in Mason County.

SCENE OF HORROR AND DESTRUCTION

Farmer's Residence and and Barn Torn Into Fragments—Three Persons Very Badly Injured.

San Jose, Ill., July 31.—A cyclone passed close to this city at 7 o'clock last evening, leaving death and desolation in its wake. The dead:

A. C. McDowell.
Mrs. Sam Brownlee.
Miss Jessie Groves.
Grandson of McDowell.
Three children of Brownlee.

Seriously injured:

Mrs. A. C. McDowell.
Mary McDowell.
Charles McDowell.

The McDowell home is two miles north of this place. A dinner party had been given by the family in the evening, and when the storm came, the members of the household and their visitors were taken without warning. The storm swept down on them with one fierce stroke and the merry laughter and glib talk of the happy inmates were quickly turned to shrieks and groans. The house was entirely demolished. The bodies of some of the victims were cast about like straws, and were wrenched and twisted into almost unrecognizable masses. Others were pinioned under the wrecked building and their groans and appeals for assistance were heart rending.

Those of the party who were less seriously injured furnished what relief they could to the unfortunate, and then hastened to give the alarm and summon aid. A relief party, accompanied by the local physicians, have started to the scene of the wreck.

No reports have been received of damage done by the cyclone before reaching this point, and it is supposed that it was at McDowell's place that it first struck the earth From there the mad hurricane swept in a southwesterly direction.

The next place in its path was the home of John McDowell, a brother of A. C. McDowell. The residence of John McDowell was missed by a few feet by the full fury of the tempest, and it was torn into kindling wood. Fragments of the structure were scattered all over the farm. The storm then plowed its way through a large walnut grove near the house and left a furrow of uprooted trees behind.

Here the storm seems to have spent its fury. Considerable damage was done to buildings and trees but no further loss of life has been reported.

At Mason City a heavy wind storm did considerable damage and broke down a number of trees. During the storm, the steeple of the Presbyterian church was struck by lightning and set on fire. The steeple is 100 feet high and much difficulty was experienced by the fire department in its work to save the structure. At 9:30 o'clock it was reported that the firemen had the blaze under control.

This is the first serious storm that has occurred in this vicinity for years. In 1882, a cyclone swept the region between this city and Mason City. Several people were killed and much damage was done.

RAILROAD SHOPS BUSY.

Mechanics Working a Full Day for the First Day in Years.

Bloomington, Ill., July 31.—The Chicago and Alton shops in this city were placed upon a 10 hour schedule yesterday and every bench in the car department was manned. The company found it necessary to at once put in order every car that can be utilized in grain transportation, and every locomotive. The shops have been running largely with a half force and on short time for several years, and there is great rejoicing over the change.

The officials of the Alton realize that a vast quantity of corn and oats is to be moved very soon. There are enormous stores of old corn, and the prospect is for a gigantic yield of the cereal this year. Corn is rushing to market in great quantities now. At Heyworth, this county, 110,000 bushels have been bought in three days, at 23 cents, and the grain men are busy everywhere. Vast quantities of oats are being marketed, also.

Weekly Bank Statement.

New York, July 31.—The weekly bank statement shows a reserve decrease of $1,641,000. The banks hold $45,720,000 in excess of legal requirements.

The new well at the Rantoul water works is down thirty feet.

TO HANG AUGUST 5.

Flannigan, the Decatur, Georgia, Murderer, Sentenced This Morning.

HIS RIDICULOUS DEFENSE.

Wanted to Marry the Eleven-Year-O'd Daughter of His Intended Victim — Killed Two Women by Mistake.

Atlanta, Ga., July 31.—Edwin Flannigan, who has been on trial at Decatur for the murder of Mrs. Nancy Allen and Miss Ruth Slack, the 31st of last December, was this morning found guilty and was sentenced to be hanged August 5.

Flannigan is a carpenter, formerly employed by the Standard Oil company, in whose service he traveled to various southern cities where depots for the company were being built. He had a mania for making love and seeking to marry very young girls. His method was to advertise for a nurse for a mythical neice, and when the young girls made application he would select the prettiest of the lot and propose marriage. Through such advertisement he made the acquaintance of and went to board with the family of George W. Allen, living in Dekalb county, near Atlanta, there he conceived a mad infatuation for little Lola Allen, the 11 year old daughter of the household. He asked her father for the child's hand in marriage, but the request was hardly taken seriously. When he had been put off several times he became morbid and conceived the horrible idea that Allen was having improper relations with his own daughter. On the night of December 31st, after eating supper with the family he went to his room, got a pistol and returning to the supper table shot George Allen, wounding him slightly. In the confusion that followed he fired indiscriminately, killing the mother of George Allen instantly and wounding Miss Slack, a visitor, so she died soon afterwards.

When arrested Flannigan explained the crime by saying there was a plot being formed against him by the Allen family because of his discovery of the relation existing between the father and daughter and he killed them to escape being killed. The testimony on the trial revealed the most remarkable case of sexual perversion on record in the courts of this state.

YELLOW FEVER GERM.

Discovery by Dr. Sanarelli of Montevideo, —Found in Blood but Not in Intestines.

Washington, July 31.—Surgeon General Wyman of the Marine hospital service had translated an account written by Dr. Sanarelli, of Montevideo, of his discovery of what he claims to be yellow fever germs and which he calls ictteroid bacillus. He says the bacillus was discovered in the second case examined. The doctor dwells upon the difficulty of making sure of the results because of the numerous microbes found in yellow fever patients. The particular germ, which he holds to be responsible for the yellow fever, Dr. Sanarelli says is found in the blood or the tissue and not in the gastro-intestinal cavity. He says, however, that in yellow as in typhoid fever, the digestive tract is the seat of abundant bacilli coli, but does not associate those with the real yellow fever microbe. He concludes, therefore, that the virus of yellow fever does not reside in the intestinal tube. "And that it is toxin and instead of being absorbed by the intestinal walls is laborated into the interior of organs and in the blood."

Two Little Girls Find Bodies.

Seligman, Mo., July 31.—Near here two little girls found the dead bodies of George Tucker and L. W. Harper, of Hindsville, Ark. It is thought they were beaten to death and robbed.

BASE BALL.

National League.

St. Louis 7, Louisville 6.
Boston 7, Philadelphia 3.
Pittsburg 7, Chicago 5.
New York 3, Brooklyn 1.
Cincinnati 8, Cleveland 2.
Baltimore 15, Washington 11.

Western League.

Milwaukee 6, Minneapolis 2.

How They Stand.

	Won.	Lost.	Pr. ct
Boston	55	24	.696
Baltimore	51	30	.662
Cincinnati	50	26	.658
New York	46	31	.597
Cleveland	43	35	.551
Philadelphia	40	43	.482
Pittsburg	37	42	.468
Chicago	36	47	.434
Brooklyn	34	45	.430
Louisville	35	47	.427
Washington	29	48	.377
St. Louis	20	61	.257

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A WISCONSIN WONDER.

Why "Devil's Head" or "Skull Rock" Attracts the Prospectors.

An Absurd Superstition Among the Miners—Legend of the Indians Concerning the Freak—The Scene of an Indian Burying Ground.

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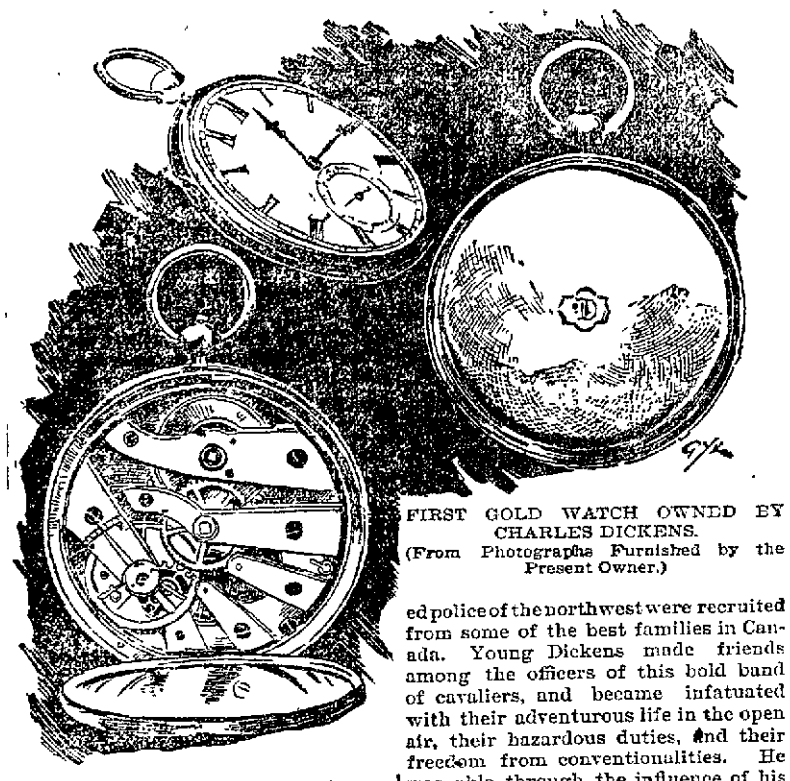
West Superior, Wis.—On a steep, rocky bluff overhanging a narrow inlet of the Lake of the Woods, about 2½ miles from the mining village of Rat Portage, Ont., stands one of the most freakish objects to be found anywhere in the world. It consists of a ledge of solid granite which bears a most grotesque resemblance to a human head, its cavernous mouth partly open, its features distorted with a horrible grin. Rude art has supplemented nature in perfecting the resemblance. This monstrosity is commonly known as "Devil's Head," but is also called "skull rock." It is about 20 feet high above the bluff, and about 21 feet in width at the widest part. Ears, eyes and a mouth are plainly visible—the latter appearing in the form of a cave, which extends back in the stone about ten feet, and then, like a veritable throat, shoots down a considerable distance into the hill on which it rests.

"DEVIL'S H[illegible]D" ROCK, NEAR RAT PORTAGE, ONT.

This extraordinary object has attracted the notice of almost every prospector for precious metal who has visited the region. There is hardly an explorer who has entered the productive gold fields known as the "Rainy and Seine River El Dorado" who has not touched with the palm of his hand a spot just above the eyes in the belief that this act would bring him luck in his search for the precious metal. Perhaps the reason for this singular superstition is the fact that the first gold-bearing rock ever found in this region was taken from the mouth of this figure, where it is supposed to have been deposited by the Indians years ago.

Anyhow, the superstition is prevalent and persistent, and the "lucky spot" has been rubbed so often that it is bald and shiny, and destitute of the mossy growth which clings to the rock elsewhere. It is a sort of "Blarney stone" to the gold seekers.

A gold miner of 20 years' experience in the fields of Africa, Australia and the United States remarked to the writer not long ago that the rock had twice brought him luck, and that once he traveled 1,500 miles to touch it before going out on a six months' expedition.



FIRST GOLD WATCH OWNED BY CHARLES DICKENS.
(From Photographs Furnished by the Present Owner.)

"It would have been just as well for me not to have touched the lucky stone, though," he continued, "for both the fortunes which have come to me through it have faded away, and I am now out for the third time in search of what I have twice squandered with a lavish hand. I am positive that I shall make a strike again, however; the rock will not fail me, and now I shall save what I make out of it."

How so absurd a belief can be seriously entertained by civilized men is hard to understand, but its existence is not to be denied.

The Indians have a legend concerning the "skull rock" to the effect that it is nothing more nor less than the petrified head of a great warrior who came from their "happy hunting ground" to protect the tribes of the northwest against extermination by the whites. They therefore look upon the stone with reverence as a talisman. Yearly delegations from the various tribes visit the spot and deposit food and precious stones in the mouth of their granite giant. It is said by old warriors that every tribe which has heard of the stone possesses a chip broken from it, which is held most sacred. The Indians also believe that a body, of the same generous proportions as the head, extends down into the earth. The height of this prehistoric warrior would be something like 200 feet.

In the earlier days a sort of Indian burying ground was established there for the bravest warriors. The custom seems to have been abandoned, however. The stone was used before the country was surveyed to mark certain locations for the Canadian government, and some of the main survey lines which now cut the country into sections were made from this rock as a basic point.

Some one has painted the image with blood-red paint, outlining the eyes and nose which appear in the structure of the rock, making them prominent even more than nature left them. This has given the grinning effigy a somewhat funny appearance; certainly it causes in the traveler who beholds it for the first time a very queer sensation, and the boatmen take great delight in frightening the more timid with the unexpected sight as they pass along the river below. Judging, however, from the number of souvenirs taken from the rock every year, it will not long survive the onslaughts of curio hunters.

C. A. MARSHALL.

DICKENS' FIRST WATCH.

This Interesting Relic Is Now in New York City.

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The first gold watch ever owned by Charles Dickens is now in New York. The accompanying picture of the watch, from photographs furnished by the present owner, is now published for the first time. There is, perhaps, no more interesting personal memorial of a great man than the timepiece by which he regulated his labors and which was so intimately associated with his daily life.

The Dickens watch is now the property of Mr. A. G. Midford, a prominent New York business man. A son of the famous writer—whether Charles Dickens, Jr., or Frederick Dickens, does not appear, though probably the latter—came to Canada in 1885. After remaining some time at Toronto in search of a promising business venture, he went to the Canadian northwest and explored the wilds of Winnipeg, enjoying to the full the shooting and fishing to be found there.

Fifteen or twenty years ago the mounted police of the northwest were recruited from some of the best families in Canada. Young Dickens made friends among the officers of this bold band of cavaliers, and became infatuated with their adventurous life in the open air, their hazardous duties, and their freedom from conventionalities. He was able through the influence of his father's name to secure an appointment, and himself became an officer of the mounted police.

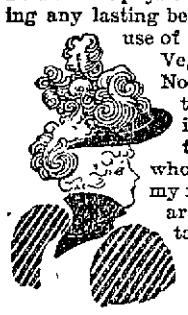
Before going to Winnipeg, Mr. Dickens had become acquainted with Mr. F. M. Midford. After a year or two he tired of the mounted police and returned to Toronto, there renewing this acquaintance, which soon became warm friendship for Mr. Midford. As it came about that one day that Mr. Dickens, being in want of some money, said he must sell the watch, Mr. Midford promptly declared his readiness to furnish the cash needed and his unwillingness to see such a relic pass into the hands of strangers.

"It was my father's first gold watch," said Dickens, "and I'd much rather see it yours, Midford, than a stranger's."

After the death of Mr. F. M. Midford at Toronto in 1891, the Dickens watch passed to another member of his family, Mr. A. G. Midford, in whose hands it still remains and by whom it is greatly prized.

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:

"I cannot begin to tell you what your remedies have done for me. I suffered for years with falling and neuralgia of the womb, kidney trouble and leucorrhœa in its worst form. There were times that I could not stand, was sick all over and in despair. I had not known a real well day for 15 years. I knew I must do something at once. I had tried physicians without receiving any lasting benefit. I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Now, I have used 9 bottles; my weight has increased 25 lbs. I tell every one to whom and what I owe my recovery, and there are 15 of my friends taking the Compound after seeing what it has done for me. Oh, if I had known of it sooner, and saved all these years of misery. I can recommend it to every woman."—KATE YODER, 408 W. 9th St., Cincinnati, O.



Should advice be required, write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., who has the utter confidence of all intelligent American women. She will promptly tell what to do, free of charge. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which is easily obtained at any druggist's, will restore any ailing woman to her normal condition quickly and permanently.

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The Kankakee district camp meeting and Chautauqua assembly will be held at Watseka, August 18 to 29.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Harry, the youngest son of Mrs. A. S Middleton, of Delavan, fell from his bicycle and received severe internal injuries.

There Is No? About It.

No question, indeed, with those who have used it, but that Foley's Kdney Cure is absolutely reliable for all Kidney and Bladder diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Messrs. Reynolds and Laisorn, of Atlanta, caught 100 pounds of channel catfish in the Kickapoo one night.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A monster catfish, weighing 45 pounds was recently caught in the Vermilion river near Danville

Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. A. J Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Hon. Thomas Cooper, of Pekin, will soon start on a trip to Mexico and Central America.

Not only piles of the very worst kind can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns, bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin troubles can be instantly relieved by the same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The new Free Methodist church at Bantoul will be dedicated in three or four weeks.

Wonderful! Marvelous!

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Gilman is just completing one of the finest water works systems in central Illinois.

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Men's Black Clay Worsted Suits at $6.50

WE have a few more of those elegant Stem Wind and Stem Set Watches left which we will give with every purchase of $10.00 or over. Will have no more when this lot is gone.

They're All Wool, cut in proper style, tailored in first-class shape; trimmings of thoroughly reliable material. We don't want to even stretch the truth about these suits; don't wan't to convey the idea that they're a bit better than they really are; but WE KNOW they're as good as $8.50 will buy elsewhere, that they are honest and trustworthy, and we'll refund your money if you are not satisfied.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Irwin's Fig Syrup is the best laxative. Large bottle 35 cents.

Kite flying is all the go among the small boys and with some of the big boys as well

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 center, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

It is not believed today that many of the Decatur miners will attend the meeting arranged by the agitators for Sunday afternoon at the Dougherty hall.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. mch 25-dtf

Blackberry balsam cut price 15 cents a bottle at Irwin's drug store.

Tonight the Salvation Army will serve ice cream and cake in the store, 120 Merchant street. Welcome meeting in the hall, at which Mrs. Major Ohliwell and Adjutant McKenzie will speak.

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps, etc — J19d-2mos.

The Christian Endeavor of the Edward Street Christian church will give a sociable on the lawn of Rev. Stevenson, corner of Edward street and William street, Tuesday evening, August 3. Light refreshments will be served and a musical program rendered during the evening.

For earache, put a couple of drops of Thomas' Electric Oil on a bit of cotton and place it in the ear. The pain will stop in a few moments. Sold by Bell, the druggist.

Luther F. Martin of the Bachman Bros & Martin company, left today for Spokane, Wash., where he will join a party that is going prospecting in the mountains. They will travel 200 miles in a wagon and look for great sport fishing. While he is away his wife will visit in Chicago.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for fine and medium grade buggies, surreys, road wagons, and also the old reliable Peter Schuttler and Moline farm wagons.—july 19 d&w2mo

The first annual Central Illinois Assembly will be held at the Mechanicsburg and Buffalo camp meeting grounds August 13 23. The speakers who have been engaged are Rev. Sam P. Jones, Dr. W. F. Black, Gen. J B. Gordon, Bishop Charles H. Fowler, Hon W. G Cochran Rev . . Francis Davies, Rev Frank Bristol and Rev. Robert McIntyre.

The Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners report for the year 1896 is completed. It is larger than in previous years, due to the fact that it contains the railroad laws of the state According to the report there are 72,346 railroad employes in the state seven to every mile of road, with salaries amounting to $40 76.. 247 38 The roads hauled 66,167,670 tons of freight during the year.

There is no other remedy on earth so simple, so effectual, so natural, in the cure of summer complaint in all its forms, as Dr. Fowler's Ext. of Wild Strawberry. Sold by Bell, the druggist.

On Friday the superintendent of public instruction sent out the questions for the teachers' examination, to be held August 3 to 6, to the examiners in Chicago, Dixon, Peoria, Springfield, Urbana, Effingham and Carbondale. The number of applicants admitted to the state examination for teachers' certificates is 93, and this is believed to be the largest list in any examination in the history of the state.

Attractions at Mackinaw.

There will be a cheap excursion on the P. D. & E. to Mackinaw Falls on Sunday, August 1, which will present a list of attractions which, considering the fact that no charge for admission is made, is unparalelled. Bauer's full military band will discourse sweet music, the renowned Professor Blondin will give an exhibition on the slack wire, which will be found to include many new features In addition to this, there will be races open to all, for which handsome prizes will be given. There will also be a beautiful prize given for the handsomest baby under two years of age on the grounds. Do not miss this opportunity to spend a day in the woods and enjoy the delightful program which has been arranged. Refreshments can be had on the grounds at reasonable figures. —29 d3t

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling, Druggists.

CHANDLER AND REAVIS.

Elected Lieutenants at the Meeting of the Decatur Guards—Going Out to Camp Again.

There were about 50 members of Company H., Decatur Guards, 5th Regiment, Ill. N. G., at the meeting held at the armory last night. It was the time for the election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of First Lieutenant Arthur Gallagher, who is now in the office of the adjutant general at the state house. Major Colladay, who was detailed for that purpose, conducted the election which passed off quietly and speedily. The members of the company knew who they wanted and the selections were made by practically a unanimous vote. Second Lieutenant Louis Chandler was elected first lieutenant, and First Sergeant Elmer Reavis was chosen second lieutenant. The newly elected officers set 'em up to the members of the company, providing a fine spread in the banquet hall. It was a surprise treat. The applicants for the first sergeant's position, made vacant by the promotion of Reavis are Sergeants Hedrick, Parks and Heiner, all good men, well up in the tactics. Captain Cassell will put the applicants through an examination and make the appointment in a few weeks.

The Guards will go into camp again on Sunday morning in the Chappell pasture, two miles east of the city, near the Sangamon river, and will march away taking their tents with them. No advance preparations will be made for the outing. All will start from the armory with their outfit and every man is expected to take with him the things he will need for the day, and not borrow from his companions in arms. It will be a time of actual experience in camp life, and drilling will be carried on all day Every man will perform guard duty. The experience will be of great benefit to the company members at the encampment to be held at Camp Lincoln at Springfield.

THE MINE OPERATORS.

Illinois Superintendents to Meet in Peoria Next Week.

A state meeting of the mine operators and shippers has been called to meet in Peoria next Tuesday, five hundred postal cards having been sent out yesterday to operators and superintendents in all parts of Illinois.

J. M. Richardson, secretary of the state executive committee, says of the proposed organization:

"It is for the purpose of effecting, if possible, a state organization of both operators and miners. We take the position that Illinois is big enough to take care of her own coal business and the miners ought to be able to conduct their affairs independent of eastern miners. The easterners have made dupes of Illinois miners before and they will do it this time if they can. They will make a settlement down east satisfactory to themselves and then say to the Illinois men who have assisted them in obtaining it, we have got what we wanted and are going to work, you can do as you please. This has happened before and will happen again if the miners of Illinois do not take the matter in hand themselves."

At Rest.

The Rev. D. F. Howe, pastor of the First M. E. church, conducted the funeral of the late Mrs John S. Stoy, which took place yesterday from the residence of the mother of the deceased, Mrs. T. H. Wingate Appropriate music was furnished by a quartet composed of Mrs. Will Hostetler, Mrs. Robert Mueller, D. L. Bunn and A. E. Lindamood. The pall bearers were Howard Wood, Neil Bramble, F. J. Blaine, Ed Carter, William Lane and William Grindol. The floral tributes were very beautiful and the services were largely attended. The interment was at Greenwood. Mary Ellen Wingate was born April 12, 1845, at Charleston, Ill, was married May 5, 1869, to John S. Stoy, of Decatur, and died at 5:15 a. m., July 28, 1897, of consumption, at her home in Chicago. A husband, John S, a son, John, and three daughters, Estelle, Minnie and May, her mother, Mrs. M. L Wingate, of Decatur, two sisters, Mrs. Fred Meyer, of Chicago, and Mrs. A. E. Lindamood, of Decatur, two brothers, Thomas H. Wingate, of Chicago, and George A. Wingate, of Decatur, survive her

News at Taylorville.

Horace L. Willey was arrested and jailed Wednesday for attempted criminal assault on his 16 year old niece, Dessie Brown

E P. Bennett, a farmer of South Fork township, is in jail to await the action of the August grand jury against him for grand larceny.

Prof. W. Ezra Turner and Miss Edith Hitchcock, of Lewiston, were married at the bride's home Tuesday.

The second annual picnic of the Stonington, Grove City, Prairie Lea, Morrisonville, Sharpsburg, Edinburg, Rochester, Zion, Pawnee and Taylorville Epworth Leagues will be held at Ralston bridge, 10 miles northwest of this city, Tuesday, August 3.

Picnic Parties Gone Away.

Quite a number of people left the city today for a two weeks' outing in camp, and Mackinaw Falls is the objective point toward which all were going. This week seems to be a good one for campers for they have been going out in all directions, equipped with the necessary apparatus and prepared to enjoy life. An old ex-camper says that this week has been an ideal one for camping and those who are now in camp are fortunate in being there among the cool forests and along streams instead of sweltering here in the city.

Hugh Housum went to the Falls today for a two weeks outing in camp. He will join the party composed of Lewis Rainey, Charles Bumstead and Thomas Wade of Champaign, a college friend of Mr. Bumstead's. They went to that place yesterday.

Frank Haines and family and Dr. Fred Stoner and wife went to Mackinaw today to be in camp for a week. John R. Miller and family will go to that place on Tuesday for the same purpose.

A crowd will go to Henning's Ford next week for a several weeks outing. It will be composed of Fred Norman, M. F. Metz, G. W. Scovill, and their wives, and John Norman of Kentucky.

Coulter's Mill will be visited by another set of campers beginning next Monday. Those in the party will be Ed Keller, Milton Martin, Ed Johnson, Willis Bramble, Howard Krigbaum and Ben Young.

Nearly a $20,000 Trade at Argenta.

Argenta Hustler: A big trade was made this week whereby S Gerber disposes of all his buildings and his residence property in Argenta and becomes the owner of Wayne county land. The name of the new owner of the buildings is W. B. Dobson and possession will be given and taken on March 1 next. The business buildings traded are those occupied by Querry & Smith's hardware store, The Hustler, W. T. J. Cooper's general store, Bell's harness shop, Deihl's meat market and Parr's livery barn. Mr. Gerber will likely build a residence in the north part of town next year. The trade was even and involves a sum of $13,900. The land in Wayne county contains 550 acres and is valued at $35 per acre The lots on which the six buildings in Argenta stand number eight and a half.

She Rode Without a Lamp.

A young lady in the northern part of the city took a short ride on her wheel last night and unfortunately forgot her lamp, the result being that she struck a water main and was thrown from her wheel with considerable force. The only damage done, however, was a cut on her lower lip, which was soon attended to. Many people ride without lamps at night, at least for a short distance, and though damage rarely results, as a rule, yet such a fall as that of the young lady would probably serve as a warning to them and would be far more potent than the thought of the city ordinance in reminding them of the need of a lamp.

Came After the Prisoners.

The sheriff of Shelby county came to the city yesterday after the two young men, Scribner and Housh, arrested in Decatur, for breaking a seal on a freight car belonging to the Illinois Central railroad. The prisoners say they did not break the seal, and that the reason they got into the car at Mowenqua was to escape attachment as witnesses in a criminal case pending in the courts at Shelbyville They could have been prosecuted in this county on another charge but as they are to be given the law on a more serious offense committed in Shelby county they will stand trial at Shelbyville

The Death Record.

On July 29, Hattie Far, daughter of Mr and Mrs. James Far, died at the family residence in Long Creek. The child was five months old. The funeral was held at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The interment was at North Fork cemetery.

Carrie La Rue died at 5:20 p. m, Friday, July 30, at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. O. McGlasson, 543 Front street She was 27 years old and her death was caused by consumption. The body was taken to her old home in Fairfield today and the funeral will be held there tomorrow.

At the Maffit Home

A congenial company of friends were entertained in a charming manner last evening by Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Maffit at their home. A fine supper was served and all had a real good time. Those in the party were Mr and Mrs. O. B. Gorin, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter, Mr. and Mrs W. R. Bresie, Mr. and Mrs A. R. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maris Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Stauffer, Mrs. Alice G. Evans and Miss Elle Glore.

Christian Endeavor Social Last Night.

The C. E. society of the Congregational church gave a social at the home of the president, Miss Florence Lyons, on West Eldorado street last night. A graphophone furnished amusement during a large part of the evening and all were allowed to speak or sing in it and then listen to the reproduction of their numbers on the instrument. Games were played and refreshments were served.

Will Wheel to Springfield.

The Wheelmen's club will ride to Springfield tomorrow, starting from the Star restaurant at 4:30 o'clock and reaching the capital city after a three hours' ride. Some of the riders will start even earlier than the time announced, in order to escape the heat.

Linn Hadliff and Chick Freeman will go to Mechanicsburg tomorrow on their wheels.

The Tait Co.

Articles of incorporation to the F. B. Tait manufacturing company were issued yesterday. The new company will continue to manufacture agricultural implements. The incorporators are Felix B. Tait, Richard W. Essick and Daniel W. Tait. Mr. Essick is a relative by marriage of F. B. Tait, who has recently moved to Decatur.

POULTRY BUILDING.

Will be an Ornament to the State Fair Grounds.

The work of preparation for the Illinois State Fair, Springfield, September 27 to October 2, 1897, is progressing very satisfactorily, and already the premium lists have been distributed to exhibitors in 22 states of the union The improvement of the magnificent permanent fair grounds goes on steadily year by year, and each fair has superior facilities and new beauties to offer over its pedecessors Among the new buildings to be erected this year is a splendid structure for the accommodation of the poultry exhibit, which has now grown to dimensions which some years ago would have been deemed impossible. The new poultry building will cover 90x160 feet, and it will be in keeping with the grand style of architecture and construction of the other magnificent buildings already on the grounds

The materials used will be pressed brick for the main structure, stone for the foundation, and steel trusses with slate covering for the roof. The building will be located south of the barns and facing "Happy Hollow," and will present an imposing appearance. All of the appointments will be of the most modern character with the latest style of coops for the accommodation of the prize birds, electric ventilating fans, electric lights, lavatories and offices fitted up in the most elegant style. The basement will be so arranged as to afford abundant room for the storage of shipping coops, boxes and other material which usually present so unsightly an appearance piled up about the fair grounds. Hydrants and hose for the proper cleansing of coops before re shipping will be conveniently placed.

The board of agriculture appreciates the grand exhibits made by poultry raisers in the past, and has determined that the accommodations for this department shall not be excelled by any other. Application has already been made by a Chicago pet stock fancier to have a large cage placed in this building in which he can exhibit parrots, monkeys and other rare pets The board expects every chicken fancier in the west to make an exhibit at the coming state fair, and that the aggregated exhibit will break all records.

The growing interest in the poultry industry, immense investments in the business, and the constantly increasing demand for this class of product have become of incalculable importance in the prosperity of the country, and the encouragement of this branch of the live stock industry is imperative. A little figuring at odd times with a lead pencil on the consumption of poultry and eggs will astonish any uninitiated person who will try it for a few minutes The Illinois state board of agriculture has figured and is fully aware of the needs of the times

MUSIC AT THE PARK

A Fine Line of Selections by Goodman's Band for Sunday Afternoon

The people generally are invited to visit Riverside park Sunday afternoon and enjoy the music that will be given by Goodman's band. The Sunday afternoon concerts are becoming more popular each week with the public, and the outing is greatly enjoyed by young and old. This will be the treat for Sunday

March, "La Fiesta"—Alfred Roncovieri

Overture, "Light Cavalry"—Suppe.

Gavotte, "Sincerity"—Voelker.

"The Woolen Stocking Medley"—Braham.

Midway Plaisance Polka—Tobani

Overture, "Semiramide"—Rossin.

"The Mill in the Forest"—Eisenberg.

Invitation a la Valse—C. M VonWeber

"Nigger in the Barnyard"—Rosenfeld.

March, "State Militia Review"—S B.

The concert will begin at about 1.30 o'clock and will be finished at about 5 o'clock.

Officers Elected.

Decatur lodge, No. 364, I. O.G. T., met last night and elected the following officers for the ensuing quarter:

C. T.—Emma Weigand.
V. T.—Bena Bauer.
Secretary—J. C. Erwin.
Financial Secretary.—D. L. Bunn.
Treasurer—Theodore Coleman.
Mar.—Charles Keyes.
G.—May Coleman.
Sent.—Pearl Woods.
Sentt J. T.—R. Neille Smith.

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SATURDAY, JULY 31, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, July 31.—Unsettled warm weather, with light to fresh easterly winds.

The wheels have started.

Wheat continues to go up; silver continues to go down.

Now the farmers will take a whack at the sugar trust by way of beet sugar production.

When the Republican party makes a promise to the people it puts that promise on the statute books as well as in the platform.

Sugar Trade Journal (official organ of the American sugar interests): The new tariff cuts very severely into protection granted the sugar refiners under the Wilson bill.

The effect of the new tariff bill is already apparent. Reports from every section of the country show an immediate and perceptible renewal of business activity and manufacturing.

Henry Watterson says Cleveland would have liked to retract his free trade message of 1887. It don't need any retraction now. A decent burial would be more appropriate.

New York World (Democratic): The house sugar rate is written in the tariff bill, not the corruptly purchased senate rate. It is a great victory for right, for justice and the people.

New York World: If the promise of the harvest fields is fulfilled it will be hard for theorists to persuade a thriving people that they need monetary panaceas to keep them out of the poorhouse.

It is hard to tell where the next obscure person is to come from who, as a Democratic president, will undertake to argue that the tariff is a tax paid by the consumer. He may be found in Buffalo, and he may not.

A Democratic paper in New York says it will be at least four years before the tariff can be made any worse. It might have added that it will be 30 years, or until a new generation is in the saddle, before the Democratic party will dare advocate free trade again.

The protective tariff is said, by free traders, to be a tax on the consumers. Whether this be true or false the fact has been made very plain in the last four years that a protective tariff is the only thing ever tried in this country which keeps the consumer at work and insures him money enough to buy the necessaries of life and hold his job.

The following from the Cincinnati "Price Current" shows a comparison of leading farm products and prices on July 7, 1896, and July 7, 1897:

	July 7, 1897. Closing.	July 7, 1896. Closing.
Wheat—		
July	70½	55¼
September	68⅝	56⅜
Corn—		
July	26⅞	26⅜
September	27⅞	27⅛
Oats—		
July	17⅛	15⅛
September	18¾	15¾
Mess Pork—		
July	7.70	6.67½
September	7.77½	6.80
Lard—		
July	4.05	3.75
September	4.12½	3.85
Short Ribs Sides—		
July	4.37½	3.60
September	4.45	3.72½

Dun's, July 24, 1897: The end of uncertainty regarding duties on imports gives greater confidence alike to those who have opposed and those who have favored the change. The great strength in stocks, particularly in those of the granger list, reflects assurance of heavy crops. The remarkable rise in wheat, notwithstading that assurance, is based on heavy buying for export and belief that foreign demands will be large. To these must be added another element of confidence scarcely observed a week ago. The heavy increase in receipts of gold, whether from one side of the Alaska border or the other swells deposits at the mints and in the banks of this country, and if the yield from new regions answers current expectations, may have an influence akin to that of gold discoveries in California. The one retarding force, the strike of coal miners, has caused closing of a few manufacturing works for want of fuel, but negotiations for settlement are still pushed with hope.

Bradstreet's, July 24, 1897: Events of late have been full of discouragement for the advocates of free coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1. Conditions seem, indeed, to have entered into a conspiracy similar to that which made possible "the great crime of 1873." The argument of the silverites based on the assumption of a scarcity of gold did yeoman service in the last campaign, but the discoveries in the Klondyke field, promising a considerable addition to the world's stock of its standard monetary metal, seems likely to relegate that argument to the class of spent ammunition. Much was made also by the silverites to the relation between silver and wheat prices, but unfortunately for them, while the price of wheat has gone up over 20 cents a bushel since last year, the price of silver has gone down about 10 cents an ounce, and in a week, in which we are able to record evidences of a distinct revival of business, as indicated in the early arrival of the long promised advancing movement for the fall, silver has touched the lowest point recorded in the American market.

New Deal in Street Car Service.

Beginning Monday morning a 15 minute service will be given on the North Water and Condit street railway lines One car will be taken off the Condit street line and put on Water street. The cars on Water street will be run every 15 minutes from the transfer house. The Condit line will not come down town at all, but will only run to and from Water street. Passengers wishing to go to Condit street will take North Water cars and transfer, and passengers will be transferred from the Condit cars to the Water street line. This will give the residents of both streets a 15 minute service and it will be continued as long as the traffic justifies it.

Hereafter Eldorado street will have only a half hour service. The travel is very light and does not justify running empty cars every 15 minutes. Cars for Eldorado street will leave the transfer house at 6:15, 6:45, 7:15, etc., and cars from the other end will leave on the hour and half hour.—2t.

Rates to Klondyke.

Passenger Agent Pollock of the Wabash announces the following low rates to the Klondyke regions for the gold hunters: Wrangle $62 40, Juneau $66.40, Sitka $71.40, Dyea $74.40. These rates will apply via any steamer from Tacoma. A few of the sailing dates from Tacoma are as follows: August 2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27, September 6, 11, 16, 21, 26 and October 1. Owing to the large number now en route to the gold fields of the Yukon and Klondyke basins, accommodation on steamers should be reserved as far in advance as possible. Many additional boats are being chartered and put in service from Puget Sound points.—30-2t

Found His Man.

Sheriff Nicholson has returned from Oshkosh Wis., having in custody Dick Rader, a gambler who was indicted here and had failed to appear when his case was called up for trial. His bondsman was James Halpin and the amount of the bond was $500, which sum Halpin did not care to pay as the bond had been forfeited, and so he had Mr. Rader hunted up. Now the forfeiture will be set aside.

North Carolina Bank Will Liquidate.

Ashville, N. C., July 31.—The First National bank, failed to open this morning. Notice was posted on the doors stating that owing to inability to collect and the stringency of the times, the bank will go into voluntary liquidation. The last statement, May 14, showed loans and discounts of $380,000. Deposits were nearly $77,000.

Took Everthing in Sight.

The State Militia from Chicago passed through the city about 5 o'clock this morning on the way to the encampment at Springfield. When the train stopped several of the military lads got off to get a drink at a neighboring resort and booked on to everything they could find. Chicago people are noted for thinking they own the earth.

Central Excursion.

T. Pennewill, the Illinois Central ticket agent, will send a coach load of Decatur people to Buffalo on the $12 excursion. There will be a through car from this city. The train leaves at 7:10 p. m. Saturday. A stop over at Niagara Falls will be made Sunday.

Bryan in Yellowstone.

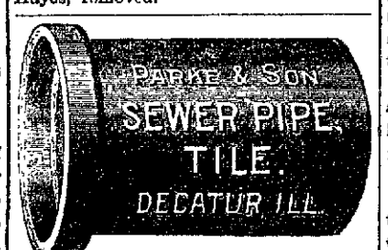
Mammoth Hot Springs, Wyo., July 31.—William J. Bryan reached Yellowstone park from Blackfoot, Idaho, accompanied by his family. Mr. Bryan looks very tired and worn, and says he will remain in the park until he is entirely restored if it takes all summer.

Member of Sheridan's Staff Dies.

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 31.—Col. James F. Gregory, United States engineer in charge of the service on the Ohio river and its tributaries, dropped dead of heart disease today. He was formerly on General Sheridan's staff.

P. M.'s Appointed.

Friday these appointments for postmasters were made on recommendation of Congressman Connolly: At Blue Mound, Macon county, P. D. Spooner, vice H. L. McClusky, removed; at Riverton, Sangamon county, G. M. Constant, vice E. L. Hayes, removed.



CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

MARKET REPORT.

BY B. Z. TAYLOR.

Chicago, July 31.—Wheat opened higher this morning, and roamed around the opening with a fair range and an exhibition of some little strength. The trade was good, for a short session day, and the market was active from start to finish, but there were few features and fewer factors. The cables were from the curb, as there are no markets in London or Liverpool today, and will be none Monday. London, however, reported cargoes as still tending upward, with nothing doing off coast and rather firmer and 3d higher on passage. There was a large decrease in London stocks, and serious floods are reported from Austria and Germany, while the weather is fine in England and France. The exports of wheat and flour from both coasts for the week were 2,348,021 bushels, as compared with 1,978,838 bushels the week previous, 2,648,748 bushels the corresponding week one year ago, and 1 460,917 bushels the corresponding week two years ago this week being above a week ago and two years ago, but under one year ago. The total clearances were: 115,954 wheat and 15,286 flour, the two together equalling 184,000 bushels of wheat. Armour today delivered about 600,000 bushels of cash wheat for the account of the bull crowd. Of the 176 cars of wheat received in Chicago this morning 48 graded contract Northwestern receipts were liberal, being over a year ago, but were under a week ago. Today Minneapolis got 255 cars of wheat and Duluth got 174, a total of 429, against 442 (Minneapolis 247, Duluth 195) a week ago, and 395 (Minneapolis 209, Duluth 186) a year ago.

Corn opened higher this morning, was steady to strong for a time, and then had a slight relapse. Trade was good and market active. There were few features. Exports of corn from both coasts for the week amounted to 1,486,715 bushels, against 2,298,879 bushels the week before, 149,581 bushels the corresponding week one year ago, and 594,865 bushels the corresponding week two years ago. Of the 1076 cars received, 733 graded. Total clearances today aggregated 577,204 bushels.

Oats opened a little higher and with small trade and inactive market, were narrow and listless, with no features and little doing. Of the 460 cars received, 75 graded.

Provisions higher and steady, with very small trade and dull—almost dead—market. No features; nothing doing.

For Monday—Wheat 350, corn 1310, oats 550, hogs 30,000.

Peoria.

Peoria, July 31.—Corn firm, inactive, No. 3, 27½, oats inactive, steady, No. 2 white 19¼ to 19½; rye dull, nominal.

New York.

New York, July 31.—September wheat 81¼; corn 32⅜; oats 21¾.

St. Louis.

St. Louis, July 31.—Wheat, cash 79; Sept. 78½. Corn, cash 25½; Sept. 53⅛. Oats 18; Sept. 18⅝.

Chicago.

Chicago, July 31.—Live poultry easy, turkeys 9 to 10, chickens 7½, spring chickens 9 to 12, ducks 8 to 9.

Chicago—Butter.

Chicago, July 31.—Butter steady, creameries 11 to 14½, dairies 7½ to 8½; eggs firm, 9½.

New York—Butter.

New York, July 31.—Butter quiet, 11 to 15. Eggs firm, 12 to 18.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 31.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yest'day.
Wheat—					
July	—	—	—	75½	76¾
Sept	75⅛	76⅛	74⅜	74⅝	74½
Dec	76½	77	75⅞	76	75⅞
Corn—					
July	—	—	—	27¾	27⅛
Sept	23	28¼	27⅝	27¾	27¾
Dec	29⅛	29⅜	28⅞	28⅞	29⅛
Oats—					
July	—	—	—	16⅝	17⅛
Sept	17¾	17¾	17⅝	17¾	17⅝
Dec	—	—	—	—	—
Pork—					
Sept	8.00	8.00	7.85	7.85	7.92
Lard—					
Sept	4.22½	4.37	4.30	4.30	4.32½
Ribs—					
Sept	4.72½	4.72½	4.70	4.70	4.72½

Sept. wheat: Puts, 73⅛; Calls, 76⅛; Curb, 74⅝.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—176. Estimated, 165. Year ago, 201.
Corn—1076; Estimated, 970; a year ago, 1207.
Oats—400; Estimated, 359; a year ago, 265.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 12,000; estimated 15,000.
Market fully 5c higher.
Light, $3.75@$4.00; Mixed, $3.75@$4.05; Heavy, $3.75@$3.95; Rough, $3.60@$3.65.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 400. Market strong.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Melons is Leader—Poultry Markets are Weak.

Jordan's offered for poultry and eggs today these prices: Hens 6 cents, springs, 21 pounds and up, 8 cents; ducks, 5 cents; eggs 6 to 6½; geese, 3½ cents. The markets were weak and the prospects are for still further weakness. Receipts were heavy. Watermelons, cantaloupes and other fruits were the sellers in the markets today. Melons brought from 15 to 25 cents and cantaloupes 5 cents each. The blackberries are almost gone. California grapes are quoted at 10 cents per pound, and California peaches at 20 cents and pears at 20 and 30 cents a dozen, respectively. Stores paid 12 cents for butter which was scarce.

Farmers are buying threshing supplies at present. The first carload of melons have arrived and that business is booming.

Grain.

Wheat sold at 72 in the local markets today; white corn at 24 and mixed at 23. Oats went at from 12 to 15 and mixed oats from 10 to 13.

EASY PAYMENTS TODAY

COME QUICK!

Guaranteed Bicycles $12.25 Stripped To-Day

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Stripped Bicycles	$12.25
Handle Bar	1.00
Saddle	1.00
Pedals	1.50
Tires	6.00
Tool Bag and Tools	.65
Bell	.10
Cash price, complete, to-day	$22.50

Easy Payment Price To-Day, $25

TERMS---$7 Down and $1.50 a Week.

Look Out for Another Advance.

These are the same wheels that we sold for $40. The manufacturer failed and we bought 350 of this one style at less than the cost of the raw material.

We have a Full Line of Repairs Guaranteed by us.

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Magnet Bicycles, $47.50.

Truss Frame Fowler Bicycles, $49.95.

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J. G. STARR & SON, Lincoln Square.

"Put Me Off at Buffalo."

The Wabash line, the original Grand Army line, is in better shape this year to accommodate the old comrades and their friends than ever. Having its own rails into Buffalo it is not dependent on other lines for anything. From Decatur the noon train (11:30 a. m.) arriving at Buffalo in the morning carries through chair cars. The night train (11:20 p. m.) carries through sleepers arriving at Buffalo 4:15 p. m. All trains stop at Niagara Falls ten minutes. This regular service every day in the year. During the encampment many special trains will be run. All Wabash tickets permit stopovers at Niagara Falls. Call at the ticket office and get a folder of Buffalo and Niagara Falls

Sunday Excursion.

Band concert and basket picnic at Mackinaw Falls, Sunday, August 1, 1897. Everybody get your baskets and enjoy yourselves in the beautiful grounds on the P. D. & E. railway. Only 75 cents, certainly you can afford a trip like this. Train leaves the Union depot at 7:30 a. m. Leaves Mackinaw at 7:30 p. m. For further information call on W. L. Smith, ticket agent; T. Pennewill, ticket agent; H. B. Dyer, agent, or A. C. Palmer, G. P. A., Evansville, Ind.

We Will Meet It.

Although we call such competition unbusiness like, we will meet the work and prices of any opposition shop with the best workmanship in the city. Our prices will be the same as the "Boss Barber," 10 cents all around, except Sunday. We lead in fine work and will allow every customer six towels if necessary.

J. H. Liston, 143 North Main street.
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Take a Swim.

The Nat. at Riverside is now open every day and evening.

It is the finest place in the city to spend an hour.

The water is always fresh, clean and warm.

Do not fail to take it in.

Otto Weaver, a competent instructor always present.—3-tf

The True Remedy.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at the drug stores of J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

A NEW LINE of Hot Weather Shirts

JUST RECEIVED.

The right kind to wear with white collars—in New Plaids.

Prices from $1 to $1.50.

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH.
W. F. Gillmore, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. by the pastor. Subject, "Praise ye the Lord." Sunday school at 2 p. m. Evening services conducted by Mrs. Major Stillwell and Adjutant McKenzie of the Salvation Army.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. A. W. Hawkins pastor. Services in W. C. T. U. hall. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. by Rev. B. F. Cavens, D. D. Endeavor service at 6:45 p. m. No preaching at night.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
W. H. Penhallegon, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., A. H. Mills, supt. Morning service at 10:45. The pastor will preach. Miss Gussie Gorin and George Dunston will sing. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.
The pastor will preach at College Street Chapel at 7:45 p. m.
Strangers and others not worshiping elsewhere are cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., J. K. Love, Supt.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL.
Corner of Macon street and Haworth avenue. Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., P. P. Laughlin, Supt.

THE SALVATION ARMY.
120 Merchant street. At 11 a. m.: Holiness meeting. 3 p. m., at Riverside Park.- 8 p. m. at Grace M. E. church. All meetings will be conducted by Mrs. Major Stillwell, of Kansas City, Mo., assisted by Adjutant McKenzie, of New York City. All will be welome. Walter Bone, Ensign.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.
Rev. D. F. Howe pastor. Class meeting at 9 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., John G. Imboden, Supt. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. by the pastor; sermon followed by the Lord's Supper. No night service.

SARGEANT'S CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Class meeting at 3:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH.
Corner of North Main and William streets, Rev. Frank C. Oberly, pastor. Sunday School at 9:15 a. m., Dr. N. D. Myers, Supt. Morning service at 10:30. No evening service.
A cordial welcome extended to all to worship with the congregation.

ST. LUKE'S ENGLISH LUTHERAN MISSION.
Corner Leafland Ave. and N. Charles St. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:45 p. m. by Gerge P. Cabele. Subject of sermon, "God's Proof of His Great Love for Us."

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH.
On Spring Avenue. Rev. J. T. Pearman, pastor in charge. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach at the morning hour. Rev. W. N. Parks of East St. Louis will preach in the evening. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 7:00 p. m. All are cordially invited.

ALL ANGELS' CHURCH.
East Eldorado street, W. Bedford-Jones rector. Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. Sunday School at 9 a. m. Holy Communion at 10 a. m. Evensong at 7:30 p. m.

EDWARD STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Corner West William and Edward streets, Rev. Marion Stevenson pastor. Sunday School at 9.30 a. m., E. March, Supt. Morning, Fifteenth lecture on First Corinthians. The Lord's Supper. Evening, "Egyptian Bondage." Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:15 p. m.
Leafland Avenue Sunday School at 9:15 a. m.

CHURCH OF GOD.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets. J. Bernard, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning: "In Memory of Elder James Wernee." Evening, "Turn to him the Other Cheek Also." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., W. L. Hull, supt. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. The public are cordially invited.

FIFTH STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Church street, between Eldorado and North. Rev. Geo. P. Hall, pastor. Prof. M. S. Calvin, Musical Director. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; C. W. Lowman, Supt. Rev. Charls Yeuell will preach a special sermon to children at 11 a. m.; Subject, "Busy Bees." No service at night. Junior C. E. at 3 p. m.
Rev. Yeuell will lecture at Riverside in the open air near the Christian Mission on "The Greatest Question of the Age," at 7:30 p. m.
Riverside Mission School at 2:30 p. m.
Senior C. E. Monday evening at 3 o'clock.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH.
The Centenary U. B. church, corner of N. Broadway and Eldorado streets, M. B. Spayd, pastor. Sunday school at 9 a. m., T. G. Rutherell, Supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning subject, "Esther and Mordecai." Evening, "Esther and Haman." Open air service corner of East Eldorado and Jasper streets. Address by Mr. J. M. Berwick. Y. P. S. C.E. at 7 p. m.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL, A. M. E. CHURCH
Regular services morning and evening. At 10 15, subject, "Growing in Grace." At 7:45, subject, "Jesus' Mission to Our World." Sunday School at 2 30 p. m., Wm. Price, Supt. Christian Endeavor at 6:45. Topic "Putting Religion into our daily task." P. C. Cooper, Pastor.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALIA.

—A. M. Taylor visited friends in Clinton yesterday.

—Mrs. J. W. Aitkin is ill at her home, 811 West Packard street.

—Miss Nellie Crossman, of Warrensburg, is visiting in the city.

—The Misses Hedrick of Monticello, were in the city yesterday.

—Gus Ahrens is still confined to his home by illness, under the care of a physician. He is afflicted with a fever.

—Miss Louisa Bock, of Lincoln, who has been visiting the Misses Daneley in Decatur, returned to her home today.

—The daughters of Milton Clark, living east of town, gave a house party the other evening at which a number of Decatur people were present.

—Mrs. M. E. Augustine is visiting with her father, Thomas Cooper. He will travel in Mexico soon.

—Levi Towl received letters recently stating that his daughter, Miss Floy Towl, who is in Colorado for her health, is improving rapidly.

Cigars. Cigars.

Havanettes.....100 for $1.75
Little Diana.....100 for $1.50
5 for .10

Special prices to the trade. For sale at L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.

Sheldon is to put in electric lights and 4000 feet of cement walks.

Elder Rhodes, 77 years old, of Onarga, is learning to ride a bike.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

HOME FROM THE PACIFIC COAST

Reports of Great Gold Excitement as Told by Bob Williams.

Robert Williams, deputy circuit clerk, who went to San Francisco with the Endeavorers over a month ago, returned home at noon today, tired and dusty after his long trip. His accounts of the excitement over the gold discoveries in Alaska are interesting indeed. The entire coast and especially in Oregon and Washington, is all wrought up over the matter and nothing is heard except talk of the gold fields and preparations for going at once. Evertyhing is booming and a man can get a job any place and in any line of work. Signs are out in every town asking for clerks, bookkeepers and in fact laborers in every line of work. Nothing is heard but "gold," "Klondyke" and "Alaska."

The Home Missionary society of Grace M. E. church will give a lawn social at the home of Mrs. J. E. King on North Main street next Thursday night. Refreshments will be served and music will be given by the mandolin club on the lawn.

The Fire.

A dwelling house occupied by the family of John Rothwell, at 846 North Jasper street, was partly destroyed by fire this afternoon, the department doing good work. Rothwell is a coal miner and is down in the mine. Most of the household goods were saved.

FEMININE NECKWEAR.

Collars, Collar Bands, Frills, Tucks, and Other Things.

Fashion in collar bands and their decoration still plays an important part in the finish of our costumes, and while they are not so elaborately trimmed as they were in the winter, a frill of some sort, and above all the touch of white, is a positive necessity for the success of a fashionable gown. A short ruche, wider at the back than at the sides, appears on all the half dressy gowns, and this is made of lace or net in any of the bright colors. Deep cream or white is the most becoming, and the net is doubled and plaited in box plaits, but all these ruches are less full than they were and not so wide. A double ruche of black net and an inner one of white lace is very effective on some gowns. These little frills are shown in the shops made of chiffon net and lace all plaited into a band ready to baste inside the collar.

Loops of ribbon are still used at the back of dressy gowns, with the lace ruche falling between, and one pretty neck finish is two quarter of a yard lengths of four-inch black satin ribbon cut with standing ends and plaited on one edge in a small double box plait, forming two little frills meeting in the back, and the lace, which begins narrowly in the sides, falls over these. The tucked collar bands are very pretty with simply the lace ruche in the edge, and the knot effect in front is another fancy this season which is very pretty on some gowns. Linen collars are still worn with shirt waists, but the stock collar of silk, with a narrow turnover collar of linen is by far the most fashionable. This sort of finish is seen on almost every bodice intended especially for morning wear. The narrow linen collar comes in great variety, plain, hemstitched, and with tiny insertion in lines of embroidery a little way from the edge, and trimmed with lace. Then there are various shapes in linen lawn with insertions and edgings of lace and embroidered edges as well. Stocks made of the silk like the bodice tied in a soft bow with hemstitched ends in front, and a narrow linen collar turned over the edge, are in excellant taste as well as good style. Ribbon is used for stocks. With the order of last season reversed and the bow tied in front, and the same narrow linen collar is the finish, with narrow cuffs to match.—N. Y Sun.

IN REGARD TO GIFTS.

Random Presents Not as Effective as Systematic Ones.

Loving friends and relatives are apt to give a superabundance of toys to the children in whom they are interested, and a child really becomes fretful and troublesome who has more toys than he needs. Instead of giving the children toys on each birthday, try giving both boys and girls articles in silverware and linen. Present a silver fork, table or teaspoon on each birthday, and have the date clearly engraved on each article. Continue until one dozen spoons or forks have been given, then begin with a diferent article.

In a family where there are three maiden aunts, a teaspoon, tablespoon and a fork are given upon each birthday to their little niece, so at the age of 18 this little maiden will be the happy possessor of one dozen of each of these articles.

The grandfather presents a handsome piece of linen at the same time, and the little woman is extremely proud of her handsome possessions.

Try this plan. It is far wiser than to spend the same amount upon some toy that will be broken or thrown aside almost before the day is done.—Philadelphia Record.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props. Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.
WEST & TRUAX,
Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

POWERS'
SHOE STORE

Is now located in the Temple Block on North Water Street, near corner of Water and North.

Unusually Low Prices

Are now being made to make room for a car load of new shoes now coming on. We will continue giving premium coupons, and will make our Clearing Out Sale of Summer Goods attractive to all buyers.

GEO. W. POWERS.

PRESERVING FRUITS

is the occupation that the good housekeeper is now absorbed in. The fruits won't wait—you must preserve them while they are fresh picked. We have everything needed for this work—Brass, Copper, Granite Iron, and Porcelain Lined Kettles, Tin Fruit Cans, Glass Jars, Sealing Wax, etc., etc.

Granite Iron Preserving Kettles, 17 cts to 75 cts.

Mason's Jars { Pints.....50 cts dozen
Quarts.....60 " "
Half Gallon.....75 " "

MOREHOUSE & WELLS CO.

Great Cheap Sale of Wash Dress Goods.

LADIES,
Don't Miss This Sale.

Wednesday morning, July 28th, we put on sale our entire stock of choice Organdies, Dimities, Lawns, Ginghams and Percales, worth 15c, 20c and 25c—your choice for three days at

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The best offering ever made in Decatur.

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church festival or picnic we will furnish ice cream to at special prices For an everyday treat, where richness is combined with daintiness, our delicious ice cream, with fresh fruit flavors, is the most tempting lunch you could find.

HARRY SNARR,
142 Merchant street. Tel. 320.

Sunday Train Service.

On Sunday, May 30th, the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will resume the Sunday trains. Train No. 49 going north will pass Decatur at 8:30 p. m. Train No. 47 going south will pass at 11:30 a m.

Decatur, Illinois,

Trotting Association

Meeting, Aug. 24, 25, 26, 27, 1897

FIRST-CLASS MILE TRACK.

PROGRAM:

TUESDAY, AUG. 24.

2:35 Class Pace.....$400.00
2:40 Class Trot.....400.00
2:15 Class Pace.....500.00

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 25.

2:28 Class Pace.....$400.00
2:18 Class Trot.....500.00
2:23 Class Pace.....500.00

THURSDAY, AUG. 26.

2:28 Class Trot.....$400.00
2:19 Class Pace.....500.00
Free for all Trot.....500.00

FRIDAY, AUG. 27.

2:23 Class Trot.....$500.00
Free for all Pace.....500.00

CONDITIONS.

American Association rules to govern except where special rules apply. All races mile heats, best three in five. No horse by distancing the field or walk-over can win more than one money. The Association reserves the right to postpone or change program. Money divided 20, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Entrance fee 5 per cent. of purse and 5 per cent. additional deducted from winners. Old distance rule to govern. Usual weather clause.

Purses not filling to our satisfaction will be declared off, but entries received in such purses may at nominator's option be carried to any other eligible class.

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUG. 16. Records made on that day no bar. We are preceded by Jacksonville, and followed by Peoria, Terre Haute Clinton and Champaign.

B. Z. TAYLOR, President. G. A. KELLER, Secretary.

A Suffering Woman

MANY PHYSICIANS AND SPECIALISTS CONSULTED BUT DID NOT AFFORD RELIEF.

Mrs. Frank Porter Convinced that it was of no Use to Spend Money for Medical Attendance, but After Reading of a Similar Case Takes the Same Treatment and is Restored.

From the Republican, Princeton, Ill.

It is a difficult matter for those of us who are well and strong, who have no pains, no ailments of any sort, for whom the pleasures of each day serve as a stimulus for the enjoyment of the pleasures of to-morrow, to in even a vague way, comprehend the trials of one who is constantly tormented by disease. It is said that woman-kind was born to suffer. It is certain that woman does suffer, and suffer immeasurably more than man. She is so constituted. Her delicate constitution requires greater care, and anything that will even in a measure relieve her of her pain and finally restore her to priceless health certainly deserves the praise and commendation of the seriously and sensibly inclined.

This is, in substance, the sentiment expressed by Mrs. Frank Porter, of Buda, Ills.

Mrs. Porter, who is a comely woman approaching middle age, declined to go into the more serious details relative to her complaint, more than that it was common enough and occasioned a large amount of suffering to our women in general. Mrs. Porter says that some years before they removed to Buda, her health began to fail her.

Bearing down pains, fainting spells and vomiting and a seeming derangement of every organ in the body, were symptoms of what she feared would be serious trouble. Her husband consulted first one and then another of the physicians in that city (Galesburg, Ills.), and when the list there was exhausted, specialists were consulted.

"My stomach turned, especially in the morning, and for days I was compelled to lie on my couch all day, with hot poultices on my back and loins to soothe the irritated nerves. Then I would feel better and shortly get around nearly as well as before.

"These attacks came with greater frequency until at last I became convinced that it was of no use to spend more money for medical attendance, since there was no apparent benefit derived from it.

"I have always been a great reader, and since being confined to my room this habit has served admirably to keep my mind off of myself and my trouble. One day in a fit of desperation at finding nothing in the house but what I had read thoroughly, I picked up a paper we had received from some friends of my husband, containing an account of the death of a relative.

"I had read the article a second time and was about to throw the paper down, when my eye was attracted somehow to an account of the cure of a case very similar to mine, by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. It is seldom I read articles on medicine for the reason that when we are well and strong we heed but lightly the sufferings of others.

"I read the article thoroughly, and at once began to think. I reflected over my own case, over the money we had expended for medical treatment without receiving any benefit, and concluded that I would commence using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

"When Mr. Porter came home I told him that I wanted him to get me some of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I said I had read of a case just like mine being cured by their use, and somehow I felt that I would like to try them.

"Mr. Porter was somewhat reluctant to accede to my request. But I persisted and finally I won him over, so that the next day he came home with a box of the pills.

"I at once began taking them strictly according to the directions. I was resolved, now that I had commenced, to make a very thorough test, for somehow I felt that something was to come of it.

"I had taken half a box before I noticed much of a change. I awoke one morning hungry. This was the first sign of improvement. This was an almost unheard of thing for me, and I was, I think, no more surprised than my husband when I remarked that I was hungry. That morning I ate a very hearty breakfast. I felt bright and fresh, and suffered no pain worth mentioning. The thought occurred to me that I might possibly be getting well? This same morning was only a sample of those that followed. My system seemed undergoing a complete renovation. My skin lost its jaundiced appearance and gained a clear, healthy color. My friends all remarked that I was improving wonderfully. I hadn't any delicacy about telling them that it was Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People either. I had taken the first box and was in about the middle of the second box. By this time I could eat and digest any kind of food. I was literally as the doctors say one should be,—I didn't know I had any stomach. I am to-day as well as any woman can be. I enjoy life thoroughly.

"I wish you would call and see my husband. He can tell you so much more about them than I can."

Mr. Porter is connected with a prominent hardware firm in Buda, and is generally known as a business man of sterling integrity and weighty opinions. He entirely corroborated his wife's story of how Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had cured her of the most distressing and at the same time, the most common trouble of women. "Why to see her as she is now, and as she was then," said Mr. Porter, "one would not take her for the same person."

He then went on to describe how the pills had acted, giving the most minute details both concerning the disease, symptoms, and the recovery.

He said it was only after the utmost persuasion on his wife's part that he would listen to her using the pills, and now he was glad that he had consented and thus brought about a radical and permanent improvement in her health.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Porter are very grateful for what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People have done, and feel no hesitancy in sincerely recommending them to our suffering women.

This is only two of many wonderful cures that have been reported as following the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Diseases that have baffled skilled physicians for years have, in many cases yielded, as if by magic, when Pink Pills have been tried by the sufferer. Their effect has been quick and permanent in such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, sallow complexion, that tired feeling resulting from vitiated humors of the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. They are also a valuable specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities and all forms of weakness. Following their use, roses bloom where cheeks were pallid, and in men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature. The use of this medicine is followed by no ill effects and it may be given to children with perfect safety.

These Pills are manufactured by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., and are sold only in boxes bearing the firm's trade-mark and wrapper at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50, and are never sold in bulk. They may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company.

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1 lb. Nectar Mocha and Java Coffee	30c,	worth	35c
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1 lb good Imperial Tea for	20c,	worth	30c
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1 lb Best basket fired Japan Tea	55c,	"	75c
1 lb Gunpowder Tea for	55c,	"	75c
1 lb Young Hyson Tea for	35c,	"	50c
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Every day Fresh Vegetables and Fruits at Lowest Prices in our Market.

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1 lb Monsoon Tea for	40c,	"	50c
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Sorghum per gallon	35c,	"	50c
Lowney's Pure Sugar Syrup, gal	45c,	"	60c
1 gal. can Sugar Syrup per gal	40c,	"	60c
Fresh Soda Crackers per pound	5c,	"	8c
Oil Sardines per can	5c,	"	10c
Gloss Starch	5c,	"	10c
Sal Soda, per pound	2½c,	"	3c
Fresh Rolled Oats, per pound	2½c,	"	4c
Steel cut Oat Meal, per pound	3c,	"	5c
1 lb good Baking Powder for	10c,	"	15c
3 lb pail Cottoline for	15c,	"	25c
3 lb can Salid Tomatoes for	7c,	"	10c
2 lb can Corn for	5c,	"	8⅓c
3 lb can Bartlett Pears, for	12½c,	"	20c
3 lb can Apricots for	12½c,	"	20c
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Peas, Beans and Tomatoes Cheaply and Deliciously Preserved.

The manner of preserving vegetables for winter use is now so simple that one prefers to prepare her own and have them in glass jars, these being better than the vegetables to be purchased in tin cans and less expensive, for the jars may be used a number of years with the addition of only new rubber bands.

An important item is to make sure that the jars and covers are perfectly fitting, thus being air tight. When filled they should be kept in a dark, cool place.

Green peas claim attention very soon, as the early pickings seem the sweetest and best for canning. Wash the peas and reject all imperfect ones. Fill the jar with the peas, shaking them down closely and filling it to the brim. Pour over the peas cold water, letting every little space between the vegetable be filled. When no more bubbles come on the water and the jar overflows fit the covers on securely. Stand the filled jars in a boiler of water, placing them upon a wooden rack or something to prevent their coming directly into contact with the bottom of the boiler. Place the boiler over the fire and let the water boil over the jars for three hours. If the water in the jars evaporates so the jars are not full, upon no account remove the covers to fill them up; the vegetable will be best left as it is. If the cover is loosened during the process of boiling, it must be screwed on as tightly as possible when taken from the water.

String beans may be treated in the same manner, except that less boiling is required for this vegetable. Cut the stem and tail from the beans and string them, then cut the beans into strips lengthwise and then in halves, or, if preferred, cut them into pieces about one inch long. Put the cut beans in the jars, filling them very full and pressing the vegetable down closely before pouring in the cold water; then proceed as with the peas, boiling the jars containing the beans a shorter time; two hours will be sufficient.

Ripe tomatoes may be canned whole, and kept perfectly, without the usual cooking. Drop the fruit into hot water to loosen the skin. When the peel has been removed, take out the stem end so no green remains. Pack as many of the peeled tomatoes in the jar as can be put in, having them whole if possible, though any too large may be cut into halves. Press the tomatoes as closely to gether as possible without breaking them. Turn over the packed fruit boiling water, pouring it in slowly, so the liquid will run into all the little crevices, and allow the jar to overflow before screwing on the fitted cover. As each jar is filled with the boiling water and covered stand it in a tub, boiler or some large vessel that has been filled with boiling water, having the water deep enough to completely cover the jars. When all the jars are in the water cover the vessel holding them with a rug or blanket and let it remain until the water becomes cold. As the jars are taken from the water tighten the covers if they have loosened, but on no account lift them off. When the jars are opened to use the tomatoes the surplus water with the fruit may be drained out and not used.

This manner of preserving tomatoes whole has been well tested and without the loss of a single jar, the fruit coming out fresher and nicer than when cooked as in the former mode of canning.—N. Y. Sun.

WINDOWS OF OUR HOMES.

Thin and Dainty Fabrics to Be Hung Against Them.

The windows of a country house, or even of the city summer home, are very well worth consideration, and just now the woman who is doing up her portieres and lace curtains in camphor is also deeply interested in thin and pretty materials for hot-weather hangings.

Bead draperies for summer houses usurp every doorway, shut out the ugly view of the fireplace and hang very close against the sashes of windows to take the place of Holland shades. Decorators have come to employ them lavishly, first, because a bead curtain is the coolest and cleanest of all hangings, they are not costly, they outlast any woven goods, and as they are now manufactured they are pretty beyond words. One of the most delightful possible effects to arrive at in draping a hall door or a long French window is to suspend there a portiere of blue beads. Pale blue up near the pole, but a rich dark blue near the bottom, while across this azure background a flight of swifts or swallows wing their way. Such a portiere is made of beads solidly, with no joints of bamboo introduced, and while it shuts out a view of the interior completely from a person outside the door or window, to one within it merely reveals the road, street or garden through a blue mist.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Perfumed Flannels.

Perfumed flannels in dainty colors come now for laying in the bottoms of drawers, and are particularly nice in drawers where bedding and table linens are kept. They have the appearance of ordinary flannel, and are sold by the yard and cut to fit the drawers, the edges being buttonholed or bound. The flannel emits a delicate perfume, and will scent every article in a drawer where it is kept. The perfume is said to be far more enduring than any of the sachets commonly in use.—Chicago Tribune.

Worth Thinking Of.

What can be done in a minute? Think about it, dear young people. It takes no more than a minute to speak a few kind words to somebody who will be made much happier by hearing them. It takes no more than a minute to give a sweet smile to some poor, forlorn child who is carrying a burden too heavy for its tender heart. It takes no more than a minute to make up a quarrel between little brothers and sisters. —Detroit Free Press.

At first thought it seems impossible that any human being should wilfully embrace death. Yet thousands of women daily court the grim-visaged monster. Some do so through ignorance and others through wilful neglect. The woman who neglects to look after the health of the organs most essential to her womanhood ignorantly or wilfully courts death, and death in a slow and agonizing form. Ills of this description render a woman's life a daily burden, and approaching motherhood a menace of the grave.

An infallible cure for all weakness and disease of the delicate organs that make wifehood and motherhood possible is found in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It acts directly and only on these organs. It prepares the maid for wifehood and the wife for motherhood. It does away with the usual discomforts of the period preceding motherhood. It insures a healthy baby and makes parturition easy and comparatively painless. Thousands of women have testified to its wonder-working virtues. Get it at the druggists and refuse all substitutes. There is nothing "just the same" or "just as good." The druggist who tells you there is, is either mistaken or dishonest.

"I am very thankful to you indeed for what Dr Pierce's Favorite Prescription has done for me," writes Mrs Etta E Smith, of Grenola, Elk Co., Kansas "About a month before I was confined I had such pains I could stand up only a little while at a time I could not rest at night at all, nor at any other time. I could scarcely eat anything at all. I began taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and after the second dose I felt better. From then until I was sick, I carried nearly all the water that was used, up a long hill, and worked in the garden every day, besides my other work, and did not feel at all bad. When the baby was born the doctor and the women who were with me said I had a very easy time. The women said I had an easier time than any one they ever saw for the first time. The baby is very healthy and growing right along I got up when she was five days old and have been up ever since. After two days I began my own work in the garden, and felt stout and healthy. The baby is now a month old"

In nine cases out of ten sickness is caused by constipation Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are a sure, speedy and safe cure for constipation. One little "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, and two a mild cathartic. They never gripe. Druggists sell them.

Mr. J. H. McKinney has been appointed postmaster at Hallsville to succeed Mr. Frank Samuels. As the two men are partners the office will remain in their store.

Don't thin your blood with sassafras or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Will T. Caldwell is the new proprietor of the Columbian hotel at Urbana. Col. W. H. Purcell, formerly of the Columbian, takes charge of the Aetna at Danville next week.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bowers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Eden Van Riper, who is at the Soldiers' Home at Quincy, is visiting at his old home in San Jose, having received a furlough of 60 days

Don't Stop Him!

He has a bad attack of colic and is making for our drug store after a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The 10 year old son of Herman Dahlenburg, of Urbana, fell from the roof of a barn, breaking both of his arms and severely injuring both of his hips.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says: "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The band boys at Farmer City have been compelled to move their quarters, as the room they have been occupying has been rented to a person from Leroy.

Quick Relief for Asthma.

Foley's Honey and Tar is guaranteed to give prompt relief in all cases of Asthma. Do not class this with other medicines that have failed to give relief. Give it a trial. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

G. E. Radelbaugh, the new agent of the Illinois Central at Delan, is from Mason City. The former agent has been sent to Penfield.

When You Take Your Vacation

the most necessary article to have with you (after your pocket-book) is a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. It is an absolute prevention or cure of all derangements of the bowels caused by a change of water. You are likely to need it. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Mr. Richard Sunderland, one of the most useful and widely known persons of Delavan, has been confined to his home by illness.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mrs. John Seeley, of Green Valley, was taken with a stroke of paralysis recently and the physicians say she will not recover.

Attention, Old Soldiers.

The manufacturers have instructed us to give a bottle of 25c size of Foley's Colic Cure free to the first soldier of the civil war that applies for the same. It is the great remedy for Chronic Diarrhœa, Cramp Colic and all Bowel complaints. H. W Bell, N. L. Krone.

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Blood and Skin Diseases, Scrofula, Erysipelas, Blotches, Fever Sores, Pimples, Ulcers, Pain in the Head and Bones, Enlargement of the Neck, Rheumatism, Catarrh, etc., permanently cured when others have failed.

Consumption The idea that Consumption is incurable is fast becoming obsolete. This dread and incurable disease is curable in the same stages as other diseases are. I have treated a large number of well marked cases of this malady during the past fifteen years and I have succeeded in curing the greater portion of them. I would urge all who have symptoms of the first stages of this disease to call at once and have appropriate treatment before the malady becomes confirmed.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

COBS FOR SALE—At 25c a load —I have a large lot of cobs for sale at the Spangler farm, two miles northeast of the city. Parties calling for same will pay at the farm. J. R. RACE. July 31-d6*

CLAIRVOYANT—Queen Alpha, the great American Clairvoyant and Palmist, is in the city for a short time only. Don't fail to see her if there is anything you want to know. any wish of the heart ungratified. Business affairs, social and domestic life, travels, changes, love, marriage, etc., will receive from Queen Alpha the most careful and accurate advice. Many profess the gift of clairvoyance; few, indeed are so gifted. One visit to a genuine priestess of the art will repay you for many disappointments. Located at 259 West Wood street. July 26-d6*

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STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss In the Circuit Court.

Anna H. Shelley, Complainant, vs. Martha J. Graves et al. Defendants—In Chancery; No. 16288.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 10th day of August, A. D. 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot nine (9) in Block two (2) of (First) Rolling Mill Addition to the City of Decatur; and twenty feet in width off the west side of lot seven (7) in block one (1) of (First) Rolling Mill addition to the City of Decatur, situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 19th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Shelley Bros., Com. Sol. [July 19-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss In the Circuit Court.

The Equitable Loan and Investment Association, Complainant, vs. Abraham Bennett et al., Defendants—In Chancery. No. 16113.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Thursday, the 12th, day of August, A. D. 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m.. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot one (1), block one (1), in Bellevue Place, an addition to the City of Decatur, situated in the county of Macon and State of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 20th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
W. C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
July 21-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court.

Christian F. Sterr, Complainant, vs. Bertha Fesler et. al., Defendants.—In Chancery, No. 16,182.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Tuesday, August 10, A. D. 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots four (4) and five (5) in block two (2) of Merchants' addition to the Village of Argenta, situated in the county of Macon and state Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 19th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery
Shelley Bros., complainant's solicitors.
july 19 dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. } ss. In the Circuit Court.

The Tuttle Brick Co., Complainant, vs. Delbert C. Jones, et. al., Defendants.—In Chancery, No. 16,204.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, the 9th day of August, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot four (4) block four (4) of Solana Place, an addition to the City of Decatur, situated in the county of Macon and State of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 17th day of July, A. D., 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
W. Nay Boggess, Complainant's Solicitor,
july 17-d3w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court.

Henry Gemmer, complainant, vs. Fred Bitter, defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,177.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the June term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Friday, August 6, A. D., 1897.

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Part of southwest quarter of section 31, township 16 north, range 1 east of 3d principal meridian, commencing 27 chains 76 links west of the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of said section 31, thence north 36 chains 58 links, thence west one chain and 36 links, thence south 36 chains 59 links, thence east to place of beginning, containing 4.93 acres; also, 14.86 acres, commencing 23 chains 73 links west of the southeast corner of the northwest quarter section 31, township 16 north, range one east of 3d principal meridian, thence north 36 chains 56 links, thence west 4 chains 9 links, thence south 36 chains 58 links, thence east to place of beginning. Situated in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 14th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
July 14-dtd.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss. In the Circuit Court.

J. R. Gorin, Complainant, vs. Edwin A. Ewing et. al, Defendants—In Chancery, No. 15,967.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, Alexander McIntosh, special master in chancery of said court, will on

Thursday, August 5th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to-law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of block 12, Western addition to the town (now city) of Decatur, thence east along the south line of said block 80 feet, thence north parallel with the west line of said block 150 feet more or less to the south line of the alley in said block, thence west 80 feet, thence south to the place of beginning.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 14th day of July, A. D. 1897.
ALEXANDER McINTOSH,
Special Master in Chancery.
Mills Brothers, Complainant's Solicitors.

Executrix' Notice.

Estate of William Taylor, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of William Taylor, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of July, 1897
SARAH JANE TAYLOR, Executrix.
W. Nay Boggess, Attorney. July 20-d3w

Administrator's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the County Court of Macon County.

C. G. Wood, Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Robert Toby, deceased, vs. Kate C. Toby et al.—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the decree in the county court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered at the June term, 1897, in the above entitled cause, I, C. G. Wood, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Robert Toby, deceased, will on Saturday, August 21, A. D. 1897, at the hour of two o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate in Shelby county, Illinois, to-wit: The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 33, township 11 north range 2 east of the 3d p. m., containing 40 acres more or less, and the equity of redemption of a part of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 34, in said township and range, bounded as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter, running thence south 40 rods, thence east two rods, thence north 40 rods, thence west 2 rods to the place of beginning, containing one-half acre, more or less; also the equity of redemption in 20¼ acres off the west side of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of said section 34, in said township and range. Said premises being sold free from dower claim of the said Kate C. Toby, widow. Said sale to be upon the following terms: Cash on day of sale.

Dated at Decatur this 13th day of July, A. D. 1897. C. G. WOOD, Adm'r, Etc.
July 12-dtd

Administrators' Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the County Court, August Term, 1896.

In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased. DeWitt C. Corley, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased, vs. Mary S. Kirk, O. T. Kirk, Celestia A. Christian, John Christian, Fred Norman, Henry Shlaudeman, John G. Keller, county superintendent of schools of Macon county, Illinois, Ann M. Cummings, Hiram Johnson, James Millikin, Orville B. Gorin, surviving partners of the firm of J. Millikin & Co., R. J. Roberts, W. L. Johnson, William J. Pegram, William Conel, and James E. Osborne—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree in the above entitled cause entered at the August term thereof A. D. 1896, and modified as to terms of sale at the May term, 1897, the undersigned administrator will on the 17th day of August, A. D. 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m, of said day, at the north door of the court house in Decatur, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to wit: Lot eighteen in J. K. Warren & Co.'s Sixth addition to the City of Decatur; also lots four, five and six in Martin Forstmeyer's resurvey of block "A" in Martin Forstmeyer's addition to the city of Decatur; all of said premises being situated in Macon county and state of Illinois.

The terms of said sale will be cash in hand on the day of sale.

Abstracts of title to said premises can be seen at the office of the undersigned at 141 East Main street, Decatur, Ill.

DEWITT C CORLEY,
Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased.
July 16-d4w

Administrator's Sale of Land.

Notice is hereby given that on THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 1897, next, in obedience and conformity to an order and decree of the Honorable, the County Court of Macon County, Illinois, in the cause wherein I, as administrator of the estate of John Barnett, Sr., deceased, was petitioner, and the widow and heirs of said Barnett were defendants, I will between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county, sell to the highest bidder at public auction, the following described real estate belonging to the estate of said John Barnett, Sr., deceased, situated in said county and state, described as follows, to-wit: The south half of the southeast quarter of section seventeen (17), in township seventeen (17) north, range three (3) east of the third (3d) principal meridian; also the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section sixteen (16) in the township and range aforesaid, and the north half of the south half of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-eight (28) of the township and range aforesaid.

The purchaser will be required to pay one third of the purchase money bid in money on day of sale, one-third in six months and one-third in twelve months after date of sale, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum; purchaser to give notes for deferred payments secured by first mortgage on the land sold. Sale subject to confirmance of the court.

Dated July 14, 1897.
R. M. MACHAN,
Adm. estate John Barnett, Sr., Deceased.
july 15-d4w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court.

Equitable Loan and Investment Association, Complainant, vs. Albert L. Clark, Defendant. --In Chancery, No. 16,114.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June Term of said Court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, the 7th day of August, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot eight (8) block four (4) in Solana Place, an addition to the City of Decatur, situated in the county of Macon and State of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 16th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Fifer & Barry and W. C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitors.
July 16-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss. In the Circuit Court.

In Cancery, No. 16,164.

Mary Ann Bolton, complainant, vs. Anna M. Fesler, et. al, defendants.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 10th day of August 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing 15 feet west of northwest corner of block twenty (20), in the town (now city) of Maroa, thence running west parallel with the south side of Fourth street, to the west line of section 11, township 18 north, range 2 east of the third p. m., thence south 400 feet, thence east to a point 15 feet west of southwest corner of block 20, thence north to the place of beginning, also a strip of ground 15 feet wide adjoining block 20 on the west side of said block 20, being in the original town of Maroa, situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 10th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
C. C. Christianson, Complainant's Solicitor.
July 12-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court

The Blue Mound Savings, Loan and Building Association, Complainant, vs. Joseph A. Quearry et al, Defendants—In Chancery; No. 16170.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, July 31st, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots nine (9) and ten (10), in block four (4), in the Village of Blue Mound, Macon county, Ill.

Dated Decatur, Illinois, this 9th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Alex. McIntosh and P. L. Van Cleve, Com. Sol
July 9-dtd

HIGHWAY NOTICE.

Public Letting of Contract.

Notice is hereby given that proposals will be received by the undersigned, commissioners of highways of the Town of Blue Mound, in the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, on the 12th day of August, 1897, for the letting of contract bridge over Mosquito Creek slough, between Zittrell's and Young's.

That the same will be let by contract by public letting to the lowest responsible bidder, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at town hall, Boody, Macon county, Illinois.

The amount and kind of work to be done are as follows:

Iron bridge to be 40 feet long, 14 feet roadway; stone abutments to be 18 feet long, 3 feet wide at base, 18 inches at top and 10 feet in height. The level of new bridge to be and not to exceed 1 foot higher than the level of the old bridge, with stone wings to be 2 feet wide at bottom and 1 foot at top, said wings to be north side each to be 16 feet and 12 feet long, south side to be each 10 feet long, wings to be all 8 feet high; capacity of bridge one hundred pounds to square foot.

The said commissioners of Highways reserve the right to reject any and all bids, if they deem it to the best interests of the town to do so.

Dated at Boody this 29th day of July, 1897.
W. H. SPENCE, T. M. TAYLOR,
C. J. TUCKER, FRED JOSTES,
JACOB LEBO, DAN ZITTRELL,
Supervisors. Commissioners of Highways.
W. G. Neintker, Town, Clerk, Boody, Ill.
july 30-d&wtd

SPECIAL TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the city council of the city of Decatur, having ordered that Herkimer street from the east line of North Water street east to the west line of Jasper street, and Jasper street from Herkimer north to Locust street be paved and improved, in the city of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the city clerk of said city, have applied to the county court of Macon county, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvements, according to benefits, upon the abutting property according to frontage; and an assessment or special tax roll thereof having been made and returned to said court at the July term thereof, 1897, and the undersigned commissioners being by said court ordered to recast said assessment as to the south half of the west half of block eight of Carver's addition in said city, the final hearing thereon will be had at the August term of said court, commencing on the 2nd day of August, A. D. 1897. All persons interested in said portion of said block eight may then and there appear and make their defense.

Decatur, Illinois, July 23d, 1897.
W. P. MORRIS,
W. P. SHADE,
THOMAS MILLER,
Commissioners.
23-d5t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss.

James Murphy, Complainant, vs. Sophia Tollady, et. al., Defendants.—In Chancery, No. 16,151.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, the 7th day of August, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold; being described as follows, to-wit: Lot eleven (11) in block two (2) in E. B. Durfee's Third addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 16th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Alex McIntosh, Complainant's Solicitor.
july16-dtd

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of B. F. McMennamy and against A. T. Summers, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Commencing at the eastern terminus of the north line of lot five (5) of Conrad Ammann's Resurvey of part of lot one (1) in the south half (½) of the northeast quarter (¼) of section twenty-three (23) in township sixteen (16), north range, two (2) east of the third (3rd) Principal Meridian and running thence east one hundred and twenty-nine and three-fourths (129¾) feet, thence south forty-three (43) feet, thence west one hundred and twenty-nine and three-fourths (129¾) feet, thence north to place of beginning, all in Macon county, Illinois, taken as property of the said A. T. Summers, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 11th day of August, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 22nd day of July, A. D., 1897.
J. P. NICHOLSON,
22-d3w Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of W. W. Kimball Company and against John R. King and A. T. Summers, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot seven (7), block two (2) of Michl, Harpstrite and Shlaudeman's subdivision of lot twenty-two (22) of Assessor's Resurvey of the northwest quarter (¼) of section twenty-three (23), township sixteen (16) north, range two (2) east of the third (3d) principal meridian, all located in Macon county, Illinois. Taken as property of the said A. T. Summers, which I shall offer at public sale at north door of court house in Decatur in Macon county, in said state on the 11th day of August, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 22d day of July, A. D. 1897.
J. P. NICHOLSON,
Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.
22-d3w

EXECUTRIX' NOTICE.

Estate of Kate De Courcey, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of Kate De Courcey, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of July, 1897.
CATHERINE DE COURCEY, Executrix.
Bunn & Park, Att'ys. [July 20-d3w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Susan M. House, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Susan M. House, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 15th day of July, 1897.
J. H. LATHAM, Administrator.
July 15-d3w

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Examinations will begin promptly at 9 a. m. Office day, Saturday.
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—ON—

Thursday August 5th,

—THE—

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General Passenger Agent.

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 21 to 24.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct 31st.

Warsaw, Ind., account Winona Assembly May 15 to August 31.

Rome City, Ind., account Island Park Assembly, July 18th to 31st.

Bethany Park, Ind., account Bethany Park Assembly, July 25th to August 15th.

Indianapolis Ind., account Y. P. C. Union. Sell August 17th and 18th, good returning till August 24th.

Philadelphia, Pa., account National League American Wheelmen. Sell Aug. 2, 3 and 4, good returning till Aug. 9. One fare round trip.

Atlantic City, Cape May, Sea Island City or Ocean City, $16.00 round trip. Tickets sold July 29th and Aug. 19th, good returning for 10 days.

Indianapolis, Ind., Special train Sunday, Aug. 1st, leaving Decatur at 6:30 a. m., returning leaving Indianapolis at 6:30 p. m. $1.00 round trip.

Special rates to Bloomingdale Glens every day for picnic parties.

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, southwest and west on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

Columbus, O., account Union Veteran Legion National Encampment. Sell Sept. 21 and 22, good returning till Sept. 27. $6.80 round trip.

Indianapolis, Ind., account S. of V. Sell Sept. 8th and 9th, good returning 15 days from date of sale.

Warsaw (Eagle Lake) Ind, account Winona Assembly. Sell daily till Aug. 31st, good returning 15 days from date of sale. $7.10 round trip.

Cleveland, O., account Union Veteran League National Encampment. Sell Sept. 21st and 22d. Good returning till Sept. 27th. One cent per mile each way.

Springfield, O., account Union Veteran League. Sell August 18th and 19th; good returning till August 21st. $5.85 round trip.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets; rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to K. Harwood, General Agent, or C. A. Pollock, Ticket Agent, I., D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

P., D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1—October 31, 1897. We learn that our people are offered a very low rate to the Nashville Exposition via the P., D. & E. Railway. The time via this route is from seven to nine hours quicker than via any other route. With the inducement of the very low rate offered, every one should see the International Exposition, which, it is said, stands second to the Chicago Exposition among the large number of Expositions which have been held in recent years.

The P. D. & E. Railway offer a low rate of $8.10 from Decatur with limit of ten days. Tickets of twenty day limit and also with limit Nov. 7th, may be had at a little higher rate. If any circular or information is desired it will be furnished upon inquiry from P. D. & E. Agent, or by writing direct to A. G. Palmer, who is General Passenger Agent at Evansville, Ind.
June 5-to Oct 26

Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.
[Corrected to May 23, 1897.]

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	13	* 3:30 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	+ 8:45 a m	17	+ 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
5	* 3:46 a m	6	*5:25 a m
11	* 0:55 a m	4	+11:25 a m
6	+ 4:05 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	16	* 8:58 p m
1	*12:13 a m	2	+11:37 p m
7	* 7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
		16 Sun. only..	10:00 p m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* 5:28 a m	1	*12:10 p m
4	+11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	+ 3:50 p m
10 Lsf acm.	+4:41 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
10 Dan. "	+8:45 a m	11	+10:07 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:07 p m	4	*11:20 a m
8	* 5:40 a m	2	*10:40 p m
17 Spfd only	+ 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg.	+ 6:42 a m
11 Spfd acm	+10:11 a m	10 Effg. acm.	+ 4:37 p m

*Daily. +Daily except Sunday.

Vandalia Line.

In effect May 16, 1897.
Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.
FOR THE WEST.
No. 7, Ex., Sun. 10:50 a. m. ....For Peoria
No. 21, Ex. Sun. 7:00 a. m. ....For Peoria
FOR THE EAST.
No. 2, Ex., Sun., 1:25 p. m. ......For Terre Haute
No. 12, Ex. Sun. 7:40 a. m. ......For Terre Haute

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Special, daily.........1:32 a m	Diamond Special, daily.........2:55 a m
No. 104, daily, 11:25 a m	No. 125 pass. ex. Sunday ..... 9:30 a m
No. 194, freight ex. Sunday......2:00 p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday........10:10 a m
No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday......6:11 p m	No. 123, daily, 3:32 p m
No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves, ex. Sunday......2:25 p m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday......10:15 a m
No. 704—to Chicago, via Champa'n, daily 7:10 a m	No. 703—From Chicago, daily 7:55 p m
No. 120 daily to Chicago......11:52 a m	No. 1,9 daily, to St. Louis......7:58 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1......10:42 a. m.	A No. 2......2:41 p. m.
D No. 3......10:10 p. m.	A No. 4......6:15 a. m.
A No. 11......2:30 p. m.	S No. 36......7:10 a. m.
S No. 41 ....11:10 a. m.	S No. 40......3:10 p. m.
Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2......2:47 p. m.	A No. 1......10:50 a. m.
A No. 4......6:35 a. m.	D No. 3......10:20 p. m.
S No. 36......7:30 a. m.	A No 11......3:16 p. m.
S No. 40......0:30 p. m.	S No. 41......11:30 a. m.
A No. 10......10:42 a. m.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass.... 2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass....10:50 p m
No. 3 Pass....*4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass....+11:25 a m
" 7 ......10:00 a m	" 8 ......4:00 a m
" 9 ......c 8:00 p m	" 10 ......4:00 p m

*Daily. +Except Sunday. ‡Sunday only

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Summer tickets now on sale to the mountains and sea shore.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 31st.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Buffalo, N. Y., account G. A. R. Encampment. Sell August 21, 22 and 23; good returning till Sept. 30. One cent a mile.

Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, West and Southwest on the first and third Tuesdays of each month; good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days. One fare, plus $2 00. for the round trip.

Warsaw (Eagle Lake) Ind., account Winona Assembly. Sell daily till August 31st; good returning 15 days from date of sale. $7.10 round trip.

Champaign, account Twin City Chautauqua. Sell August 5th to 15th, good returning till Aug. 16th. One and one-third fare round trip.

Indianapolis, Ind., account Y. P. C. U. Sell August 17th and 18th; good returning till Sept. 12th. One fare round trip.

Indianapolis, Ind., account S. of V. Sell Sept. 8th and 9th; good returning till Sept. 15th.

Champaign, account Champaign county fair. Sell August 31 to Sept. 3. Good returning till Sept. 4. One and one-third fare round trip.

Columbus, O., account Union Veteran Legion National Encampment. Sell September 21 and 22; good returning till Sept. 27. $6.80 round trip.

Rome City, Ind., account Island Park Assembly, July 18 to 31.

Havana, Ill., account Havana Chautauqua Assembly, August 6 to 16th. Tickets sold Aug. 5th to 16th. One and one-third fare.

Philadelphia, Pa., account National League American Wheelmen, sell Aug. 2, 3 and 4. good returning till Aug. 9. One fare round trip.

Mackinaw Island. Tickets sold for night trains of Aug. 4th, only good going via Detroit & Cleveland Steamship Co., or via Chicago and L. M. & L. S. T. Co.'s Manitou. $12.00 round trip, meals and berth extra. Good returning till Aug. 21st.

Buffalo, Ill., account Buffalo and Mechanicsburg camp meeting. Sell Aug. 13 to 22 inclusive. Good returning till Aug. 24. One and one-third fare round trip.

Champaign, account Champaign County Fair. Sell Aug. 31 to Sept 3, good returning till Sept. 4. One and one-third fare round trip.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

Homeseekers' Excursions to points Northwest, West, Southwest and South on August 3d and 17th, Sept. 7th and 21st, Oct. 5th and 19th. One fare, plus $2.00 round trip. Tickets good 21 days. Stop over on going trip.

G. A. R. Excursion to Buffalo, N. Y., good going 21st, 22d and 23d of August, and good returning till Sept. 30. Only $12.00 round trip.

Champaign, Ill., account of Champaign county fair. Tickets sold August 31 to Sept. 3, good returning Sept. 4. One and one-third fare round trip.

Champaign, Ill., account of Twin City Chautauqua. Tickets sold August 5th to 15th. Returning until August 16th. One and one-third fare.

Grand Excursion to Mackinaw Island, Charlevoix, Petoskey and Bay View. On the new steamer Manitou from Chicago. Tickets good going Thursday, August 5th; good returning up to and including August 21st. Only $12.00 round trip.

Bloomington, Ill., August 27 to Sept. 5: good returning until and including Sept. 6th, account Central Illinois Holiness Camp meeting. One and one-third fare round trip.

For information and rates call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Peniwell, P. T. A., 125 E. William street.

Sunday Trains.

Beginning Sunday, May 30th, the P., D. & E. Railway will put on their Sunday trains. Train No. 40 will leave Decatur at 3:30 p. m. for all points north and northwest, making good connections at Peoria. Train No. 41 leaves Decatur at 11:30 a. m. for all points south and southeast, making good connections at Evansville with the L. & N. for the exposition and other points south. This will enable all who want to spend a day outing or with friends to do so. For further information apply to
T. PENIWELL, Ticket Agent,
W. L. SMITH, Ticket Agent, } Decatur, Ill.
H. B. DYER, Ticket Agent,
or to A. G. PALMER, G. P. A., Evansville, Ind.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Trunks, 15 cents. Davis' 10 cent delivery, 564 N. Water.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 23-dtf

You can get the genuine dead shot fly paper at Irwin's.

The temperature today was at 95, hot enough to drive people to Klondike.

Burdock Blood Bitters never fails to cure all impurities of the blood, from a common pimple to the worst scrofula sore. Sold by Bell, the druggist.

If you want the best plastering done on short notice call up 528, new 'phone. We also have the best cement for sidewalks in the city. Decatur Hard Plaster Co.—20-d tf

Eczema in any part of the body is instantly relieved and permanently cured by Doan's Ointment, the sovereign remedy for all itchiness of the skin. Sold by Bell, the druggist.

Wabash railroad cheap Sunday excursion to Champaign and Urbana Sunday, August 8, account Twin City Chautauqua. Special train leaves Decatur 7:10 a. m., arriving at Urbana at 9 a m and at Champaign 9 10 a. m., returning leaves Champaign 10 p. m. The Twin City Chautauqua is better than ever this year. Go and spend the day at Chrystal Lake park and you will be well repaid

Down We Come!

Any old thing for a hair cut or shave. Old shoes, rubber boots, old clothes, old iron, teakettles and pots, old socks. Come and have your hair cut for any old thing. James Hollinger, 141 West Main street.

Lost $22 and Recovered It

Merrick, of the dining car department of the Wabash, lost $22 yesterday and it was soon found and returned to its owner by John McConnigle, a newsboy. The lad thought $1 was a small reward for so big a find but accepted what was offered

Wedding at Macon.

Macon Record: Cards have been sent out announcing the marriage of Miss Mertie A. Wells of this city to Frank J. Good, of Coffeville, Kan., Tuesday evening, August 3, 1897, at 7:30 p. m., at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. S. E. Wells

Prosperity.

With the signing of the new tariff bill the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railway company posted notice that beginning Monday of the present week, the entire shop force at Beardstown would be put on full time, 10 hours per day. This increase applies to 300 or 400 men who have been on short time since 1893.

Donations.

C. L. Hovey and a friend will drive to the Eastern Star Masonic Home at Macon on Sunday to deliver donations. The gifts are a fine surrey from the Austin Eastern Star Lodge; a good horse from Decatur Eastern Star members and a set of harness from W. H Starr. The gifts will be more than welcome to Matron Bradley and the inmates of the home.

Small Fire at Mrs. Owens' Home This Morning

A small fire occupied the attention of the inmates of the Owens boarding house at 126 West North street this morning, but the fire department heard nothing of it for no alarm was sent in. It was in the front room upstairs and was probably caused by a lighted match or cigar being thrown on the curtain by a roomer. The fire had caught to the curtains and burned them nearly up, the family being unconscious of what was transpiring upstairs, when a man across the street noticed the flames and smoke and rushing over warned them of the danger The curtains had just burned when the fire was discovered and extinguished and no other damage was done.

Failure of Soldiers' Colony in Georgia

D. Reed, formerly of this city, has returned to this place after a two years' stay at the Soldiers' Colony at Fitzgerald, Georgia. The colony was planned about two years ago by an Indianapolis man and soldiers from all over the union were induced to move to that state with their families and enter into the scheme. Like some other colonization schemes that have been started the Soldiers' Colony did not prosper, but declined from the beginning The people nearly starved despite the fact that each person was allowed shares and a plot of ground to work. Everybody is leaving as fast as the means to do so can be procured. Mr. Reed finally concluded that Illinois was good enough for him and came back a short time ago to live in Decatur again. He says that the only trouble with that country is that the climate is worth $300 an acre and the soil nothing. This probably explains the failure of the scheme for fertile soil the basis of any community which relies on its own labors for the necessities of life.

PULLED A HOUSE.

Mrs. J. L. Mendenhall and Her Daughter in Trouble—Also Frank Sargent.

During the past few weeks the police have received a number of vigorous complaints about the character of a house in the 500 block on South Main street kept by a woman named Mrs. John L. Mendenhall, who has been married twice and whose husband is somewhere near Ridge Farm in Vermilion county. She and her husband separated two years ago. Mrs. Mendenhall has a daughter, Nora Brown, aged 19, and there is a younger child. They occupy part of the house in question, a party named Fry living in the other half. Neighbors have been saying that all has not been straight at the Mendenhall section of the dwelling. Last night the police made a raid and captured Miss Brown and a young man named Frank Sargent, who came from the vicinity of Illiopolis to see Decatur by electric light. He is a modest young man of a very retiring disposition. Miss Brown and her friend, a Mrs. Kelly, had been up town last night, and on Lincoln square Miss Brown met Frank. He went home with her, and then the police came, to break up the tete-a-tete. This forenoon Frank pleaded guilty to having been an inmate of a bad house. Miss Brown says she will stand trial, and the officers will bring a charge against Mrs. Mendenhall. She claims to be an honest woman, and that she earns her living by taking in washing. The facts will come out at the hearing which may not be had until Monday.

IN HIS OLD OFFICE AGAIN.

Dr. S. H. Swain, the Veterinary Surgeon, Located Permanently at 127 South Franklin Street.

The many patrons and friends of Dr. S H. Swain, the well known veterinary surgeon, will be pleased to learn that he is again located at his old office at 127 South Franklin street. He has fitted up the office in a stylish manner and is now better prepared to serve the public than ever. There is no more complete veterinary office in the state, supplied as it is with all of the most improved instruments for the scientific treatment of horses and animals generally. There is also a fine hospital connected with the office where animals may be brought and treated by the doctor until they are as good as new. Dr. Swain's reputation as a successful veternary surgeon is second to none, and it is mainly because of the frequent calls he receives from all parts of the city and from points outside of Decatur that he was compelled to return to his former central location. He is the president of the Illinois State Veterinary, Medical and Surgical association, and is widely known throughout the state and the west as at the front in his profession.

MATTOON GOT THE HOME.

Decatur Left Again—Odd Fellows' Committee Accepts the Aupkins Tract.

On Friday the trustees appointed to locate the Old Folks' Home for Odd Fellows met at Mattoon, and after viewing the sites offered and considering the propositions of Monmouth, Alton, Vandalia, Olney, St. Elmo and Carthage, and other points, decided to locate it in that city, as the offer was the best. There was great rejoicing among Mattoon's citizens over the result. Whistles were blown and bells rung, and the enthusiastic people paraded the streets, headed by the Mattoon Military band. The location at Mattoon means an expenditure of $50,000 in buildings within two years for the accommodation of those who will be cared for in this institution. The Hopkins tract, one half mile east of the city limits, was chosen.

The people of Mattoon and vicinity subscribed a fund of $37,750 to secure the home No other point in the competition did as well as that and the big town in Coles county got the prize.

NEW ORGANIZATION IN DECATUR.

The Christian Worker's Mission to Help Those Who Do Not Attend Any Church.

The Christian Union Mission will hold its second Sunday school meeting in the W. C. T. U rooms tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock. The Union is composed of Sunday school workers from all the churches in the city, and is not working in opposition to any Sunday school, but is doing missionary work for the Sunday school among those who will attend no other church. The average attendance is about 50 and the prayer meetings on Tuesday night are also well attended. Workers from any church are invited to assist in the school. The idea is a broad one indeed—that of establishing a Sunday school on non sectarian lines for the good of everyone—and is being pushed forward with great zeal by those engaged in the work

Died of the Heat in Texas.

The police department today received a letter from Ft Worth, Texas, stating that James Cochrane, claiming to have relatives in Decatur, had died of the heat at that city The letter came from R. L. Cobb Officer Williamson investigated the case and learned that the deceased was known here His mother is in Chicago and a sister is at Indianapolis. Mrs Thomas Cochrane, residing at 1346 East Eldorado street, is a sister-in-law of the deceased Her husband is out in Colorado working on a railroad. He cannot be reached by wire The body of James will be brought to Decatur for burial The father, a brother and a sister of the deceased are buried in a Decatur cemetery.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Miss Bessie Grist is in Chicago visiting friends.

—Rev. F. N. Atkin left last evening for St. Louis.

—Mr. and Mrs Smith Walker have returned from Mackinac.

—Elrich Williams, of Illiopolis, is visiting with Dr. Fribley and family.

—Miss Jane Roby is at Springfield visiting her friend Miss Hudson.

—Miss Bond, of Effingham, is visiting Miss Edna Kellar, of this city.

—Conductor F. B. Green, of Effingham, visited P. J. Kellar and family this week.

—Miss Ethel Taylor, of Cleveland, O, is the guest of Miss Notie Meriweather in this city.

—Miss Madge Hays will visit friends in Peoria next week and will remain there for some time.

—It is expected that Attorney Buckingham and wife and Miss Matthews will arrive home from the far west on Monday.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Abbott arrived home yesterday from their summer outing at the pleasure resorts in Wisconsin.

—Miss Clara Lehman, of Sullivan, is in the city for treatment by Dr. C. Taylor Ball, of the Electric Cure specialty.

—J. H. Bowman left last night for Defiance, Iowa, to be absent 60 or 90 days in the interest of the Advance Thresher company.

—Harry Dill, of the Republican, leaves this evening for a two weeks' recuperation with old friends of Maroa and Moweaqua.

—Miss Grace Hamsher will entertain the Misses Van Leer from Bloomington over Sunday. They have been visiting their uncle at Forsyth.

—P. J. Kellar, the South Water street grocer, is moving his household goods this week from Sullivan to this city. He will live at 640 West Main street.

—Manager and Mrs. J. F. Given, of the Grand opera house, have returned from a trip to points in Kansas and in the Rocky Mountains. They had a very pleasant visit.

—Miss Anna Sherrick has returned from Chicago. She says she had no idea it was so hot down here. She wishes she had remained in the big town so that she could further enjoy the refreshing lake breezes.

STARTED FOR DECATUR.

Party Leaves San Francisco This Morning for Home.

E. A. West received a letter yesterday from his wife stating that one party of the Decatur tourists, including herself, now on the Pacific coast would start for Decatur this morning, from San Francisco. They will go by way of Portland, Ore, and will also visit with friends at Seattle and Spokane in the state of Washington and at Minneapolis before returning home. In the party are Mrs. E. A West, Miss Carrie Knapp, Nannie Truax, Miss Wikoff and Miss Mabel Wayne. They will reach Decatur when the thermometer will probably be ascending toward the skies and the change from the invigorating breezes of the Pacific coast to the torrid heat of Central Illinois will surely be most unpleasant.

Exciting Runaway—Nobody Hurt.

A runaway horse attracted considerable attention this forenoon and made excitement for some time by a tour of Central Park and side streets at a breakneck speed. The animal was standing on Water street by the park, hitched to a buggy and quietly dreaming of a noon feed when a street car came along from the south at a slow rate of speed and sounding the bell according to the usual custom. This seemed to startle the horse for it gave a sudden leap forward, broke the hitching strap, and making one or two quick steps broke into a run up North Water street "Catch him," shouted several bystanders, and the chase was on. The animal seemed to think the park an inviting place for it suddenly turned in there and started southeast across the grass, disregarding all signs and scattering the park population in various directions. As it turned into State street, still on the run, a policeman and others tried to catch it, but to no purpose and it tore down the street, avoiding numerous buggies by a hair's breadth. When near Wood street the wheels of the flying buggy caught those of another vehicle which was going south and jerking it clear around started the man back the other way. Finally the horse turned into Wood street west and from last accounts was captured. No one was in the buggy and no one was injured. The extent of damage to the buggy was not learned.

Death of Mrs. Pritchett.

Mrs. Bessie Pritchett died at the family home in Cairo on July 30. Deceased was the wife of J. H. Pritchett. The remains will be brought to Decatur at 11:30 a. m., Sunday, August 1, and will be taken to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Pritchett, corner of North Edward and Packard streets. The funeral will be held at the Pritchett home at 3.30 p. m., Sunday, conducted by Rev. Marion Stevenson, assisted by the Rev. D. F. Howe. The interment will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Decatur Won.

At Mattoon yesterday the Decatur club defeated the Mattoon team 2 to 0.

THINK IT IS A "FISH" STORY.

A Stranger Claims to Have Been Held Up by Masked Men and Robbed.

While the police were enjoying the cool July breeze last evening out in front of the headquarters office a young man named William Wilkinson, wearing the clothes of a farm hand, and accompanied by Roy Coble, a resident of the west end of the city, came up to tell a sensational story about having been held up by a party of five masked young men and robbed of $7 in silver. Wilkinson said his home was near La Place, and that he had come to Decatur yesterday, putting up at the old Palace hotel, where he had a valise and some clothes. He said he knew a man named Charles Young, and was on the way to Young's home when he was assaulted by the robbers. He had gone just beyond the viaduct on South Franklin street below the old tray factory when the robbers appeared and ordered him to throw up his hands Two of the robbers Wilkinson said had revolvers and both weapons were pointed at him. Two other men went through Wilkinson's clothes while the guns were leveled at his head. After the robbery Wilkinson was ordered to go in a hurry and he went, the robbers going south on the railroad on a run. In the scuffle Wilkinson's spectacles fell to the ground. He saw that the robbers were out of sight almost and he went back after the glasses, finding the frame on the ground with one glass broken. He said he could not get along without the glasses as he could scarcely see a block distant without his glasses He gave a partial description of two of the men He said he believed all in the party were young men.

By direction of Marshal Mason Wilkinson went to his hotel and put on a dark hat and coat, and then in company with Officer Beatty he visited a number of saloons and other resorts about the city in the expectation of recognizing one or more of the parties who had robbed him. The tour was a failure, and later Wilkinson, who had no money to pay any bills, got sleeping accommodations for the night at police headquarters. He got up this morning and disappeared

After Wilkinson had been robbed and while he was wondering what he ought to do Roy Coble came up to him Coble had been at the river and was on his way home. After hearing Wilkinson's story Coble advised him to go to the police and give the particulars.

The officers do not know what to make of the yarn. They will not be idle, though they may appear to be indifferent at present.

BARBERS STILL AT SEA.

The Bosses Held a Meeting Last Night and Barred Out All Reporters.

The representatives of the city papers had mighty slim picking last night when they went after news about what the boss barbers were doing at their called meeting They found that the doors were barred against them and they had to stand out in the gloom of the hall and imagine if they could what was going on beyond the closed doors. The attendance of the bosses was not large, but it is stated that the proceedings were full of ginger and business, and that in a few days those who are now standing pat for the cut prices will hear something drop that will cause a shock and make a noise that can be heard to the river. Just what the scheme is the gentlemen having the plans in charge will not reveal, but it is supposed to relate to the laundry business. It is proposed to seek the agencies from outside laundries and take work to be shipped away, the work to be done at prices that it is known will clip into the profits of the Norman and other establishments. It is a retaliatory plan. How it will work remains to be seen.

It does not appear that Mr Norman is very much worried over what the other fellows are doing. He is making preparation to go away on a camping trip and will be very likely to have a good time

The boss barbers are to meet again on Sunday afternoon.

J. H. Alexander's Barn Burned.

The barn of J. H. Alexander, three miles northeast of the city, burned about 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and with it were destroyed about 16 tons of hay and many valuable farming implements. The men were at work in the field when the fire was discovered in the hay mow and as that place was nearly full of dry hay nothing could stop the progress of the flames Help came and the horses were removed to a place of safety, but the barn and other contents were lost. The total loss will be between $400 and $500. The origin of the fire is not known.

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